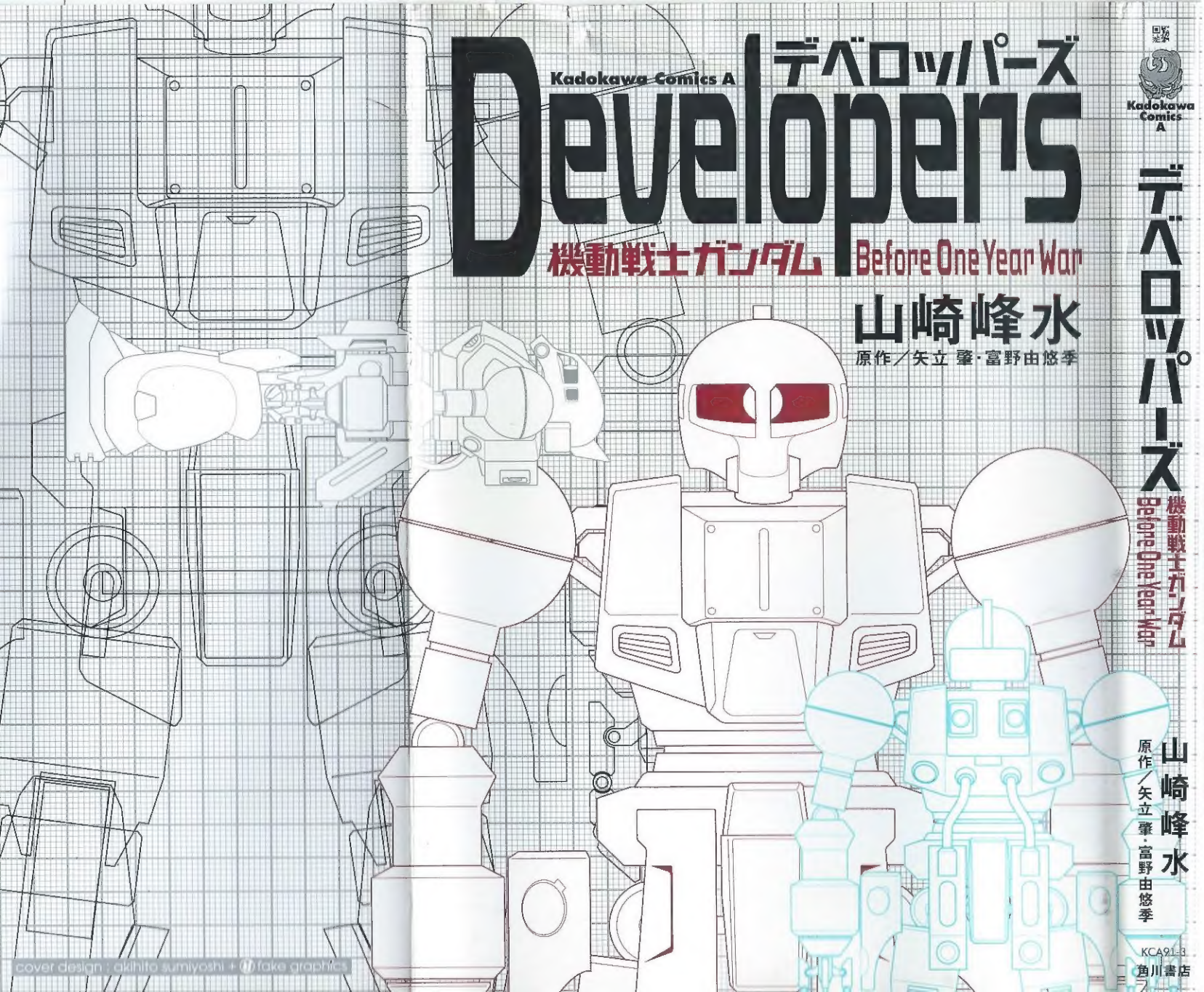


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Head block [Helmet]

Protective beam
Monoeye Camera
Exhaust duct
Neck

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Manipulator

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Shin [Greave]
Foot [Solleret]
Balancer

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[Pauldron]
Breast [Cuirie]
Air intake
Cockpit
Abdomen
Waist
[Tasset]
[Loin guard]
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Ransel

Tail Skirt Armor

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頭/Head block
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プロテクティブビーム/Protective beam
排気ダクト/Exhaust duct
首/Neck
腕/Arm block
上腕/Upper arm
前腕/Forearm
マニピュレーター/Manipulator

胴体/Body block

胸/Breast
ランドセル/Ransel
エア・インテーク/Air intake
コックピット/Cockpit
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腰/Waist
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テールスカートアーマー/Tail Skirt Armor

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ヘルメット/Helmet
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腕甲/Vamvrace
胸甲/Breastplate
胸当て/Cuirie
腰当て/Tasset
車道/Cuish
膝当て/Poleyn

腰当て/Greave 膝当て/Solleret

MODEL NAME : PROTO-TYPE
MOBILE SUIT

MAKER : ZEONIC Co.

BASIC UNIT COMPOSITION HEAD BLOCK X1
BODY BLOCK X1
ARM BLOCK X2
LEG BLOCK X2

GENERATOR PARTS : ZAS-X7
ARMOR MATERIALS : SUPER-HIGH TENSILE STEEL

SPEC.HEIGHT : 17.5m

WEIGHT : 57.4t

GENERATOR OUT PUT : 953Kw

HORSEPOWER : 6100Hp

THRUSTER GENERAL OUT PUT : 43,000Kg

180.TURN TIME : 3.8sec

MAX WALK SPEED : 120Km/h

TEMPERATURE OF OPERATION : -85℃~600℃

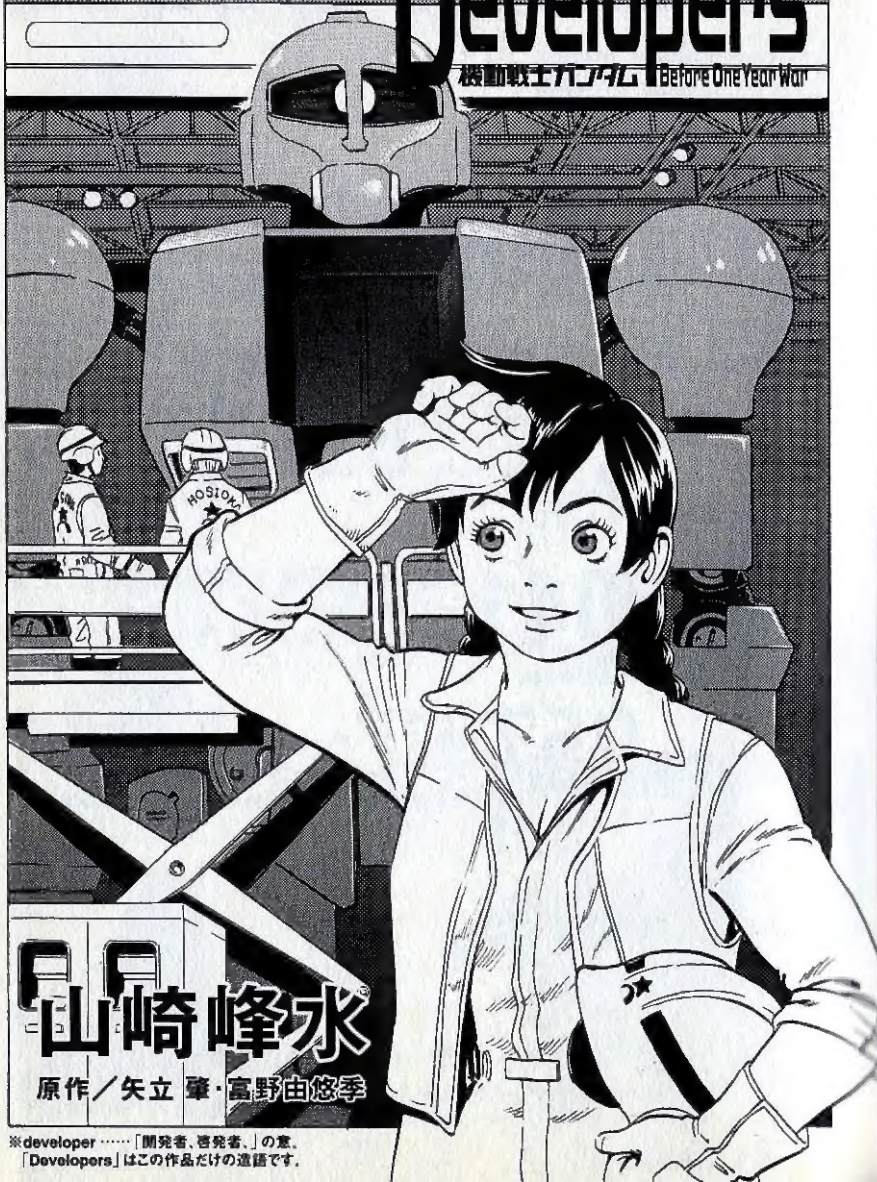
LIFE MAINTENANCE TIME : 168h

NET WEIGHT : 31.2t

FULL WEIGHT : 72.5t

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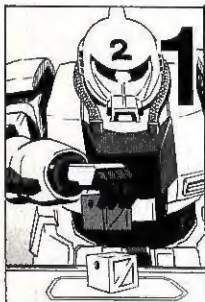
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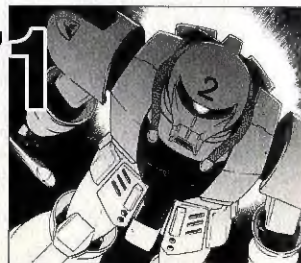
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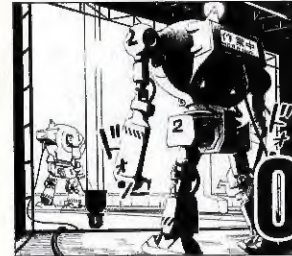
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**GENZABURO
HOSIOKA**

HOSIOKA'S PRESIDENT.
ELEGANT DISPOSITION OF
A TRUE TOKYOITE. "HARD
WORK AND GUTS" IS HIS
MOTTO.



**THEO
PAZHITONOV**

EMPLOYEE OF ZEONIC
CO. SENT FROM THE
MAIN OFFICE TO
OVERSEE MS PRODUCTION



MION HOSIOKA

PRESIDENT HOSIOKA'S
DAUGHTER AND TEST PILOT.
HATES LOSING.



WATCHDOG

HOSIOKA'S
WATCHDOG



AUNTIE

EMPLOYEE OF HOSIOKA.
ALWAYS MUNCHING ON
UNAPPROVED IMPORT
SNACKS.



YASU NISHIKAWA

EMPLOYEE OF HOSIOKA.
MECHANIC. IS VERY CLEVER.

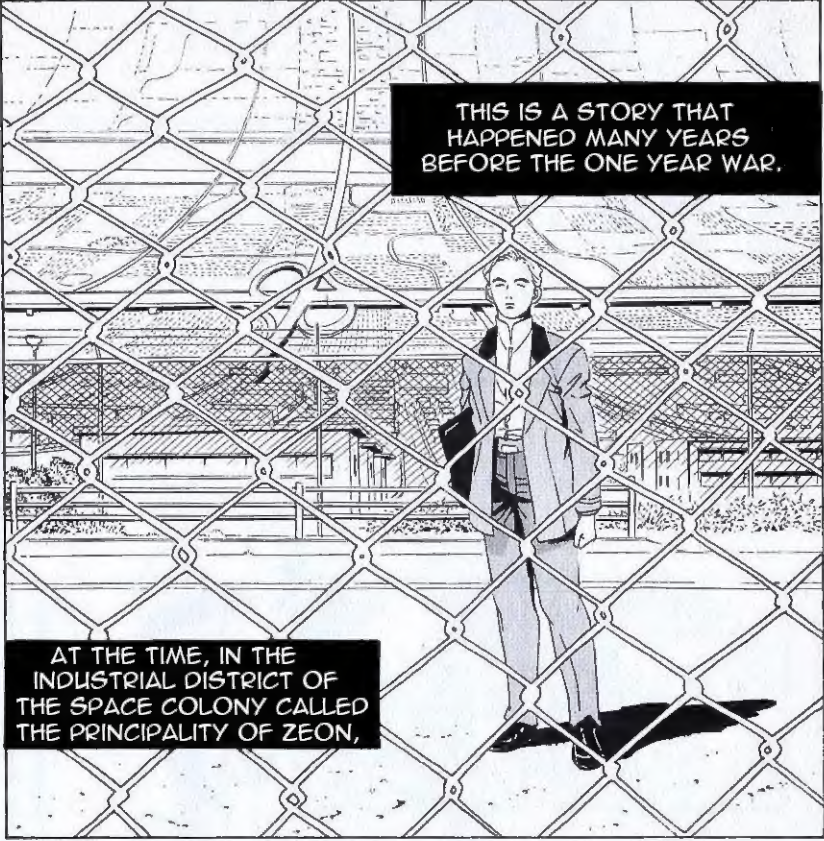


THE OLD MEN

HOSIOKA'S RELIABLE (?) ENGINEERS.

**Project.01 : TRANSFER! HOSHIOKA
FACTORY**



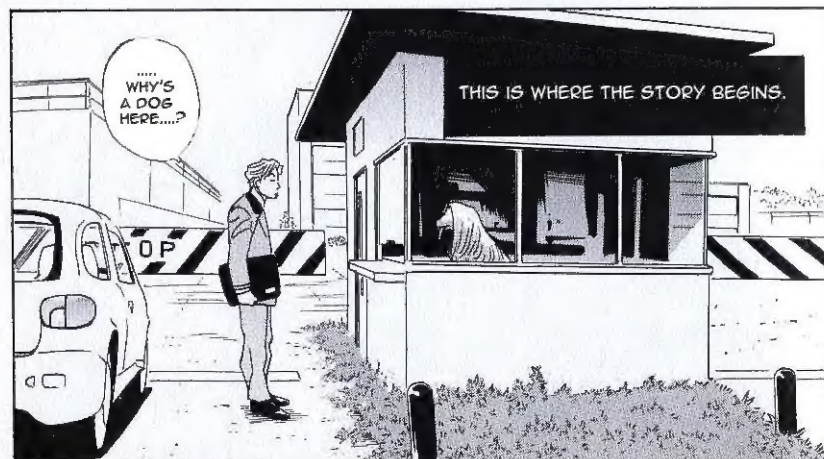
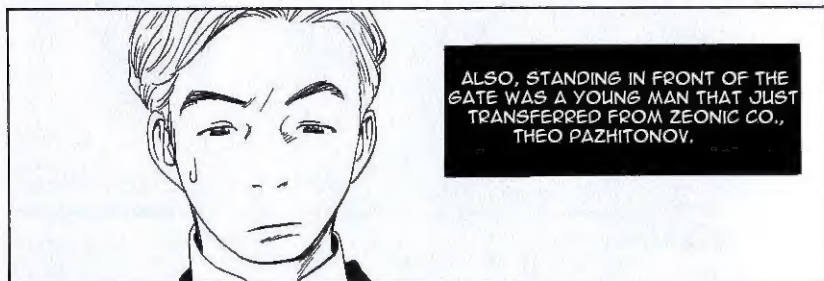
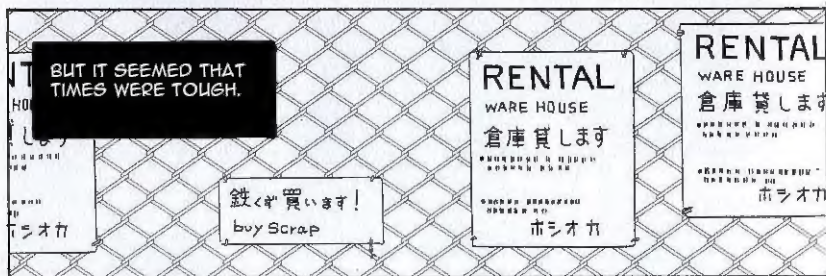
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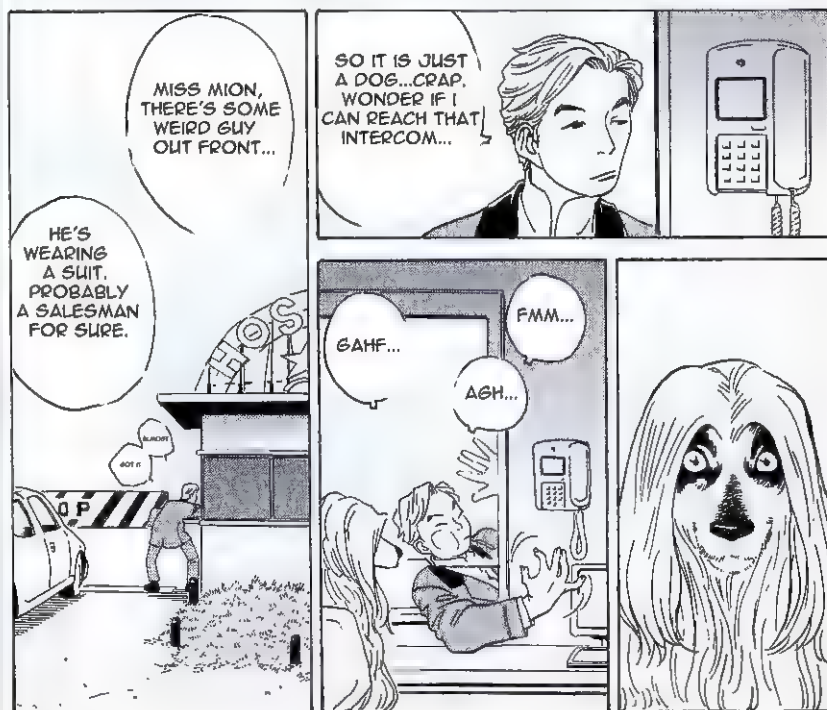
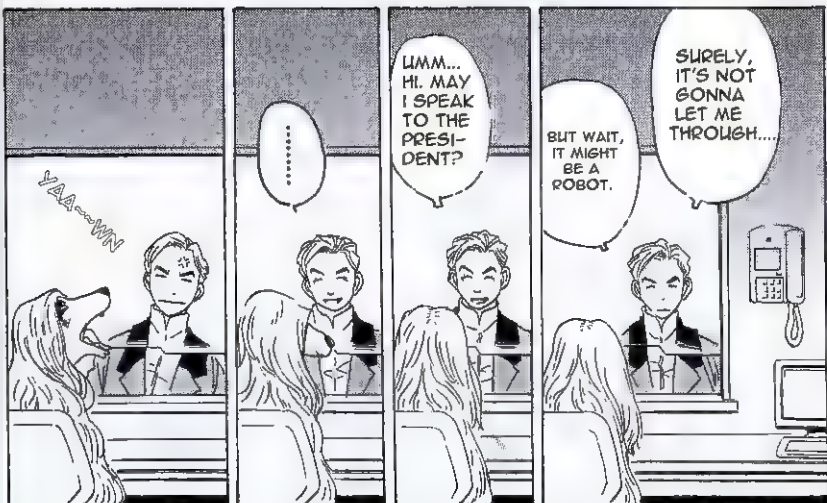
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HAPPENED MANY YEARS
BEFORE THE ONE YEAR WAR.

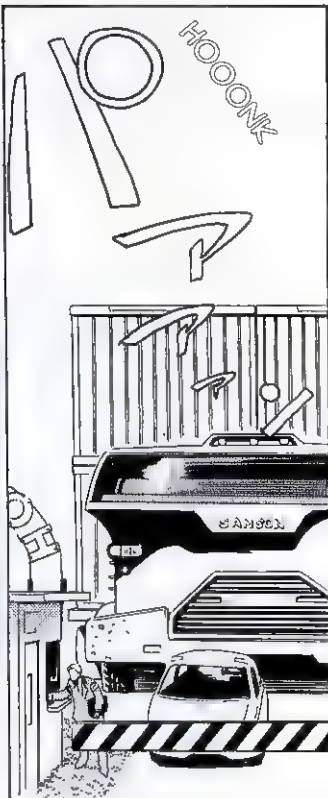
AT THE TIME, IN THE
INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT OF
THE SPACE COLONY CALLED
THE PRINCIPALITY OF ZEON,

A black and white illustration of a small, single-story factory building. A car is parked in front of it, and a person is standing near the entrance. Above the entrance is a sign that reads 'HOSIOKA'. The background shows a landscape with hills and a fence.

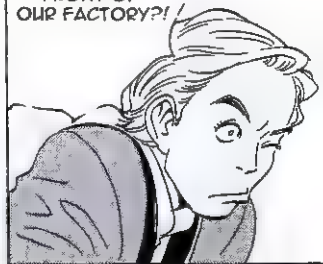
THERE WAS A SMALL
FACTORY CALLED HOSIOKA
THAT PRODUCED INDUSTRIAL
MACHINERY.

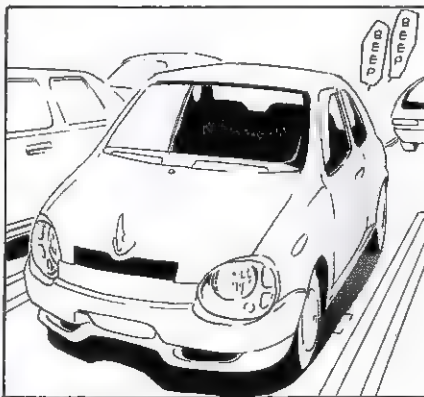


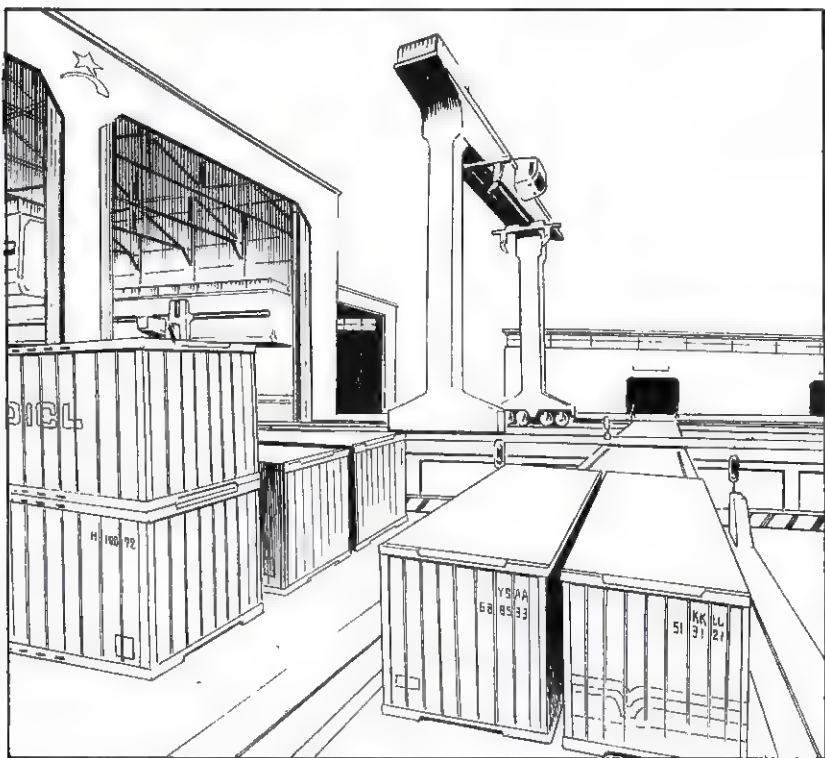


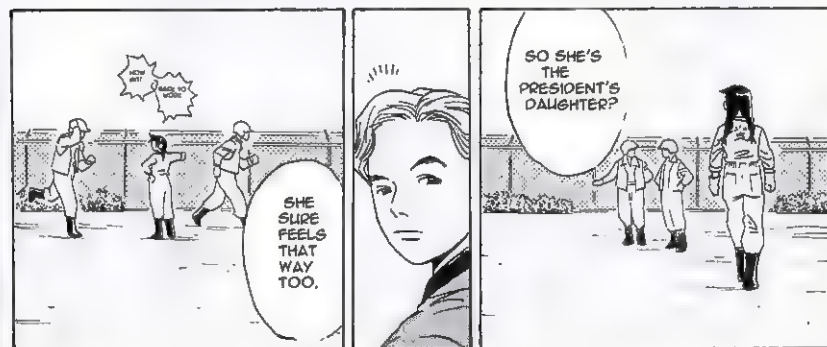


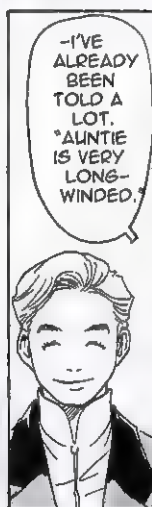
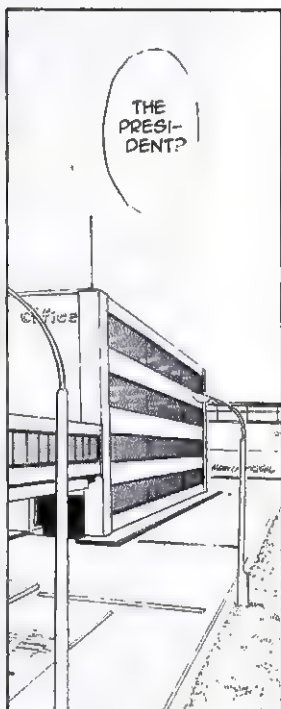
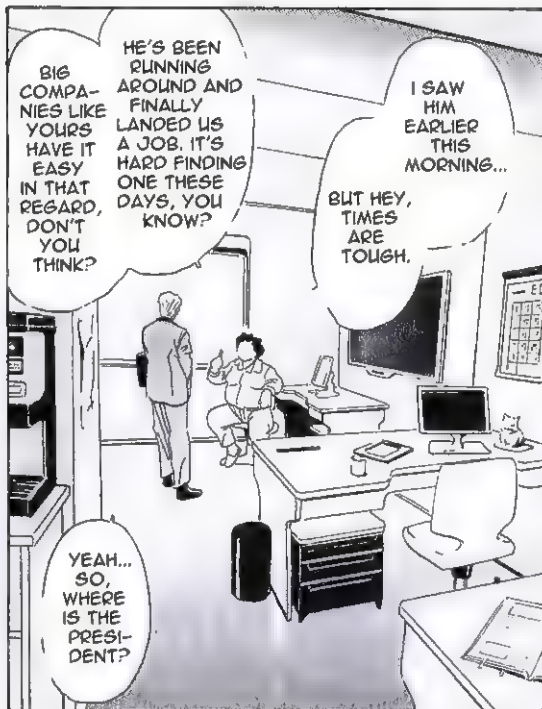
STOP RIGHT
THERE!
WATCHA
DOING OUT
HERE IN
FRONT OF
OUR FACTORY?!













'E MIGHT
BE IN TH'
BREAK
ROOM.

AH THE
BOSS?
CAN'T
SAY I
SEEN 'IM
TODAY.



HUUUH?
WHAD'
YA
SAY?!

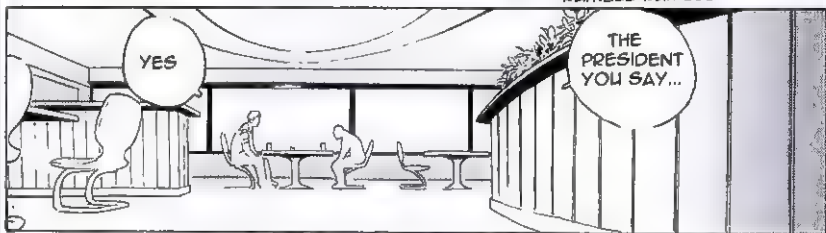
WELL,
YOU
SEE...



THANK
YOU~



*RUMBLE RUMBLE



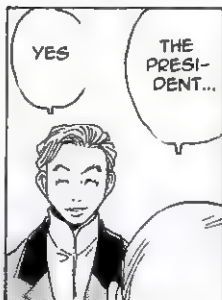
YES

THE
PRESIDENT
YOU SAY...



NO,
THAT'S NOT
WHAT I
ASKED...

THE
PRESIDENT
IS CALLED
GENZA-
BUROU



YES

THE
PRESI-
DENT...



MUNCH

MUNCH



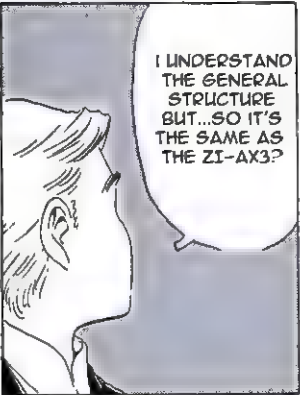
-AND SO
I COULDN'T
FIND THE
PRESIDENT
ANYWHERE.

安全

AH FRIGGIN'
A, AND
WE'RE BUSY
TODAY
TOO~~

THIS PUTS
ME IN A
TIGHT SPOT
TOO, YOU
KNOW.

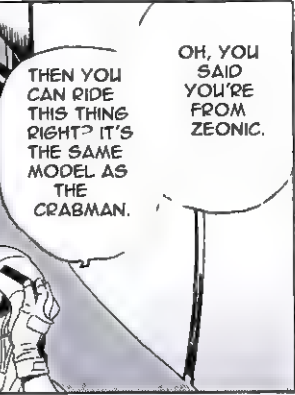
WHAT?
WE'RE IN
TROUBLE
WITHOUT
'IM!
I TOLD
YA TO
TELL 'IM
TO COME
HERE,
DIDN'T I?



I UNDERSTAND
THE GENERAL
STRUCTURE
BUT...SO IT'S
THE SAME AS
THE ZI-AX3?



UH...

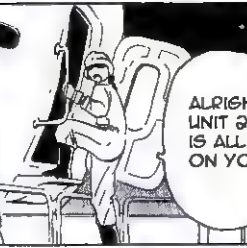


THEN YOU
CAN RIDE
THIS THING
RIGHT? IT'S
THE SAME
MODEL AS
THE
CRABMAN.

OH, YOU
SAID
YOU'RE
FROM
ZEONIC.



WHAAT?



ALRIGHT.
UNIT 2
IS ALL
ON YOU. BEING ASSEMBLED.

IT'S THE SAME
THING, YOU'LL BE
FINE. IT'S MADE
FROM LEFT-OVER
PARTS FROM
WHEN YOUR GUYS'
ROBOT WAS
BEING ASSEMBLED.




THIS IS
MORE THAN
I BARGAINED
FOR.



STEP-
SLIDE
IS
OPERA-
TIONAL

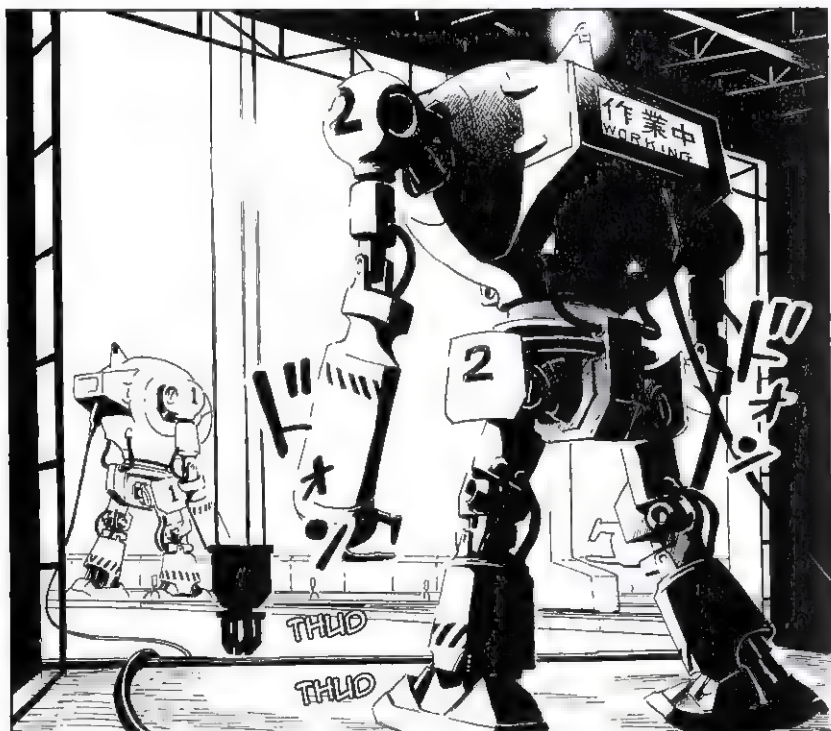
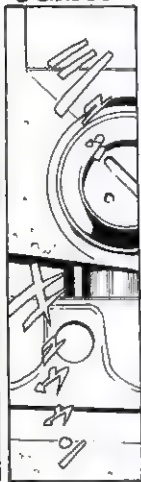
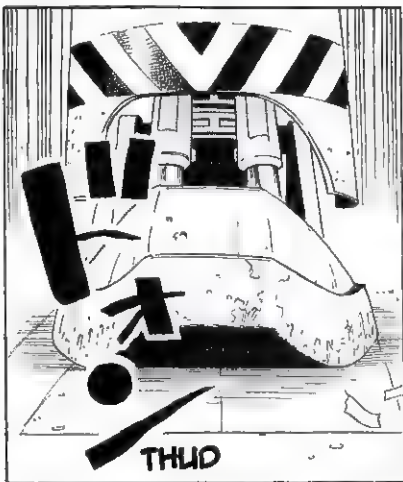
UNIT 2
GENERA-
TOR
OUTPUT
GREEN.

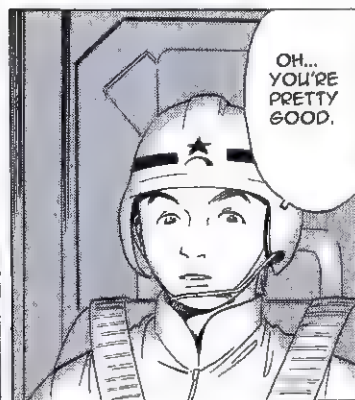
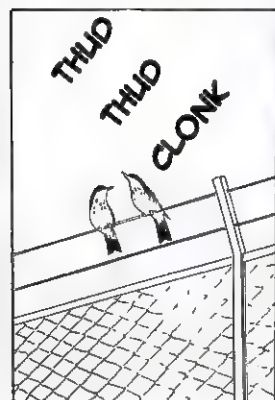
ALL
MOTORS
GREEN.

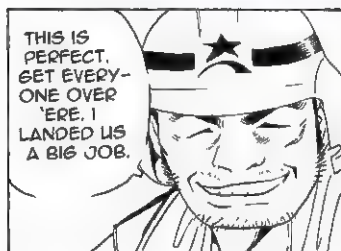
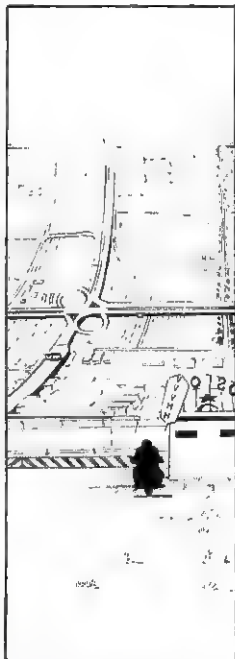
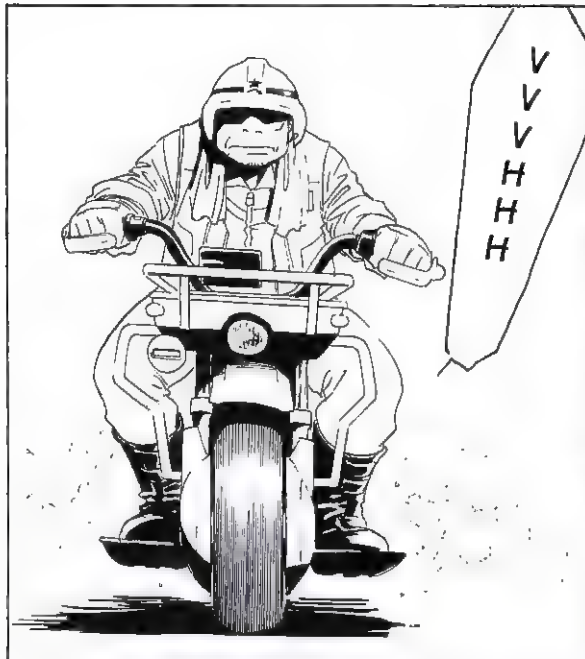


UNIT 2
OPERATOR
YOU'RE
CLEARED
TO GO.

*SQUEEL





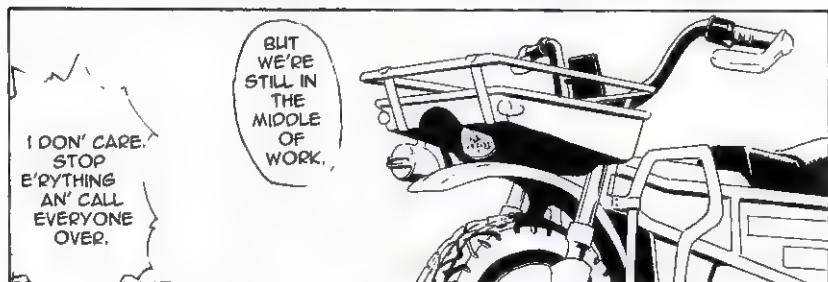


THIS IS
PERFECT.
GET EVERY-
ONE OVER
'ERE. I
LANDED US
A BIG JOB.



HEY
YASU

OH IT'S
YOU
BOSS



I DON' CARE.
STOP
E'RYTHING
AN' CALL
EVERYONE
OVER.

BUT
WE'RE
STILL IN
THE
MIDDLE
OF
WORK.

YUP, SO THEY
SAID AN
OVERSEER FROM
ZEONIC WILL
COME TODAY
SO LET'S GIVE 'IM
A WARM
WELCOME.

THAT
MEANS
WE WON'T
HAVE TO
RENT OUT
OUR WARE-
HOUSE
ANYMORE.

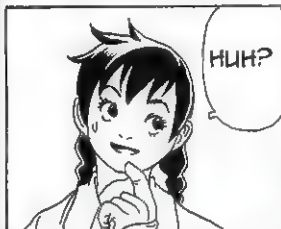
YA DID IT
POPS! Y'UR
THE BEST!



NO WAY!
A JOB
TO BUILD
A NEW
MODEL
UTILITY
UNIT!



HUH?

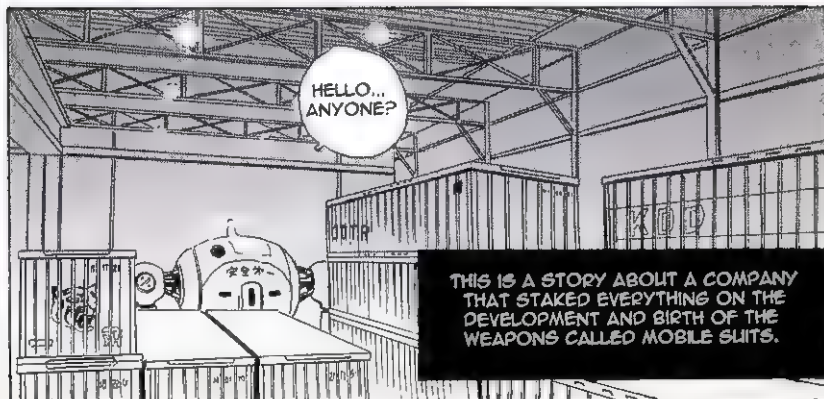


UH...
TODAY?



EXCUSE ME...
HOW DO I
GET OUT OF
HERE?

HELLO...
ANYONE?



THIS IS A STORY ABOUT A COMPANY
THAT STAKED EVERYTHING ON THE
DEVELOPMENT AND BIRTH OF THE
WEAPONS CALLED MOBILE SUITS.

Project.01 : end

Project.02 : HEATED DISCUSSION!
THE BRIEFING



A FEW HOURS AFTER THE ZEONIC
EMPLOYEE, THEO PAZHITONOV,
WAS RESCUED FROM
THE WAREHOUSE...
A COMMISSION BRIEFING
WAS CALLED
INTO SESSION BUT...

ALL THE HOSIOKA EMPLOYEES
GATHERED THERE...

NOW,
NOW...

-RY
SORRY
ABOUT
ALL
THIS.

HAD TO WATCH THEIR
PRESIDENT APOLOGIZE
IN EARNEST...

-WE HAD
NO IDEA

I'M
VE~~

社 訓
来る仕事
こぼさず

*REJECT NO JOB



I ALREADY
GAVE THE BRAT
2 OR 3 SMACKS,
IF YA WANT TO
GET ONE IN
TOO...

OH, N, NO,
THAT'S
FINE.



OH
SHUT
UP

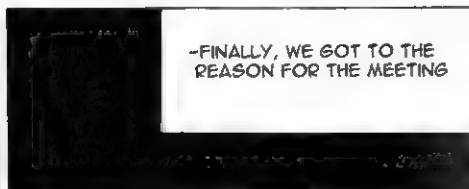
YOU SURE
ARE SMOOTH
MISSY,
MAKING HIM
WORK FOR
YOU.

AND SIT THROUGH A LENGTHY
SELF-INTRODUCTION OF SORTS.

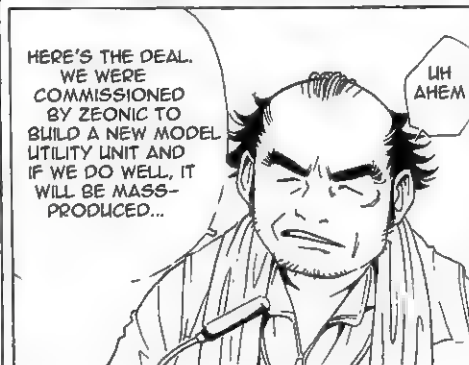


AH...YES.
PLEASE
DIRECT
YOUR
ATTENTION
TO THE
SCREEN.

BUT HAVE
A LOOK AT
THE
COMPLETION
CG FIRST.
MR.
THEO,
IF YOU
WILL.



-FINALLY, WE GOT TO THE
REASON FOR THE MEETING



HERE'S THE DEAL.
WE WERE
COMMISSIONED
BY ZEONIC TO
BUILD A NEW MODEL
UTILITY UNIT AND
IF WE DO WELL, IT
WILL BE MASS-
PRODUCED...

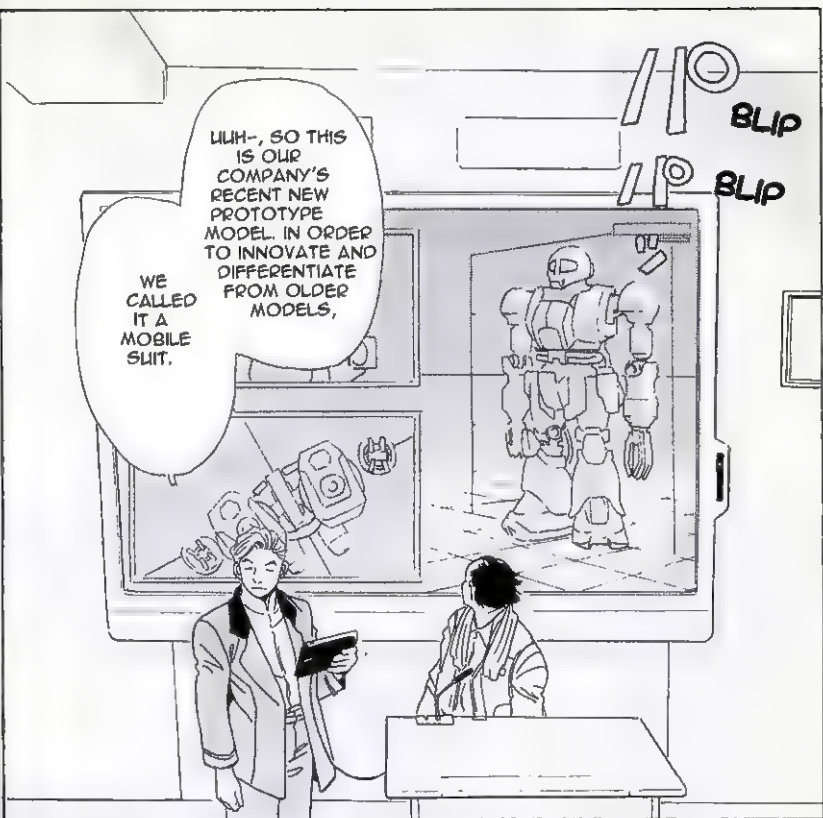
UH
AHEM

WE
CALLED
IT A
MOBILE
SUIT.

HUH-, SO THIS
IS OUR
COMPANY'S
RECENT NEW
PROTOTYPE
MODEL. IN ORDER
TO INNOVATE AND
DIFFERENTIATE
FROM OLDER
MODELS,

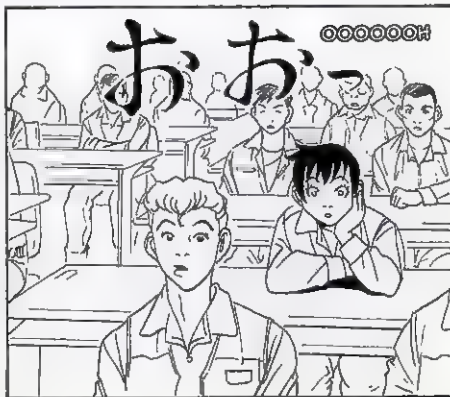
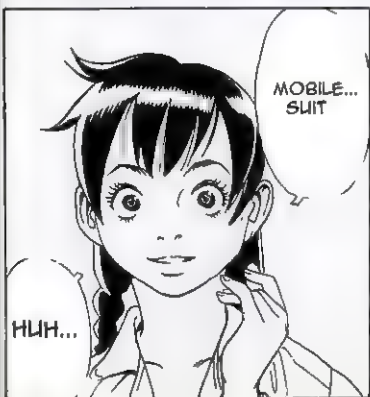
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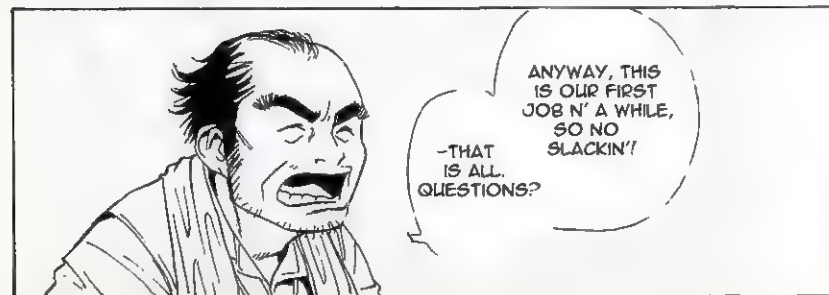
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MOBILE...
SUIT

HUH...





OH, I'LL
EXPLAIN
ON THE
MONITOR.

HUH?
THAT'S
SIMPLE,
IT'S...EH...

QUESTIO~~N.
I DON'T SEE
ANY EXTERNAL
CONNECTORS
IN THE CG, SO
HOW IS IT
POWERED?

SO, UHM,
THERE'S
THE
INTERNAL
STRUCTURE
OF THE NEW
UNIT.

HE
ALREADY
KNOWS
YOUR
NAME,
"MISS
MION"

OH
STOP IT
AUNTIE

AS YOU
CAN SEE,
THERE'S A
MINIATURE
THERMO-
NUCLEAR
REACTOR IN
THE CHEST
CAVITY.

AS MISS MION
NOTED, THIS
UNIT USES A
COMPLETELY
DIFFERENT
POWER SYSTEM
FROM BEFORE...



LIKE I SAID,
IT'S EQUIPPED
WITH A MINI
THERMO-
NUCLEAR
REACTOR.

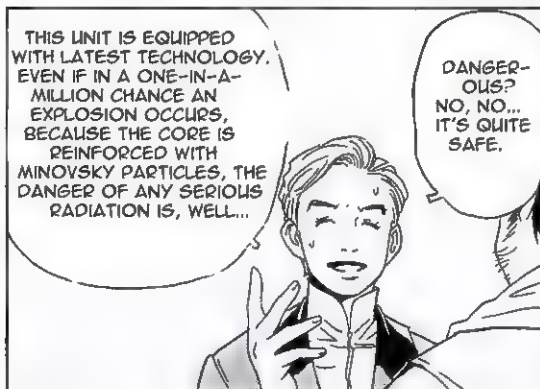
UHM...
WHAT
WAS
IT
AGAIN?



WHY IN THE
WORLD WOULD
A UTILITY
ROBOT NEED
NUCLEAR
POWER?

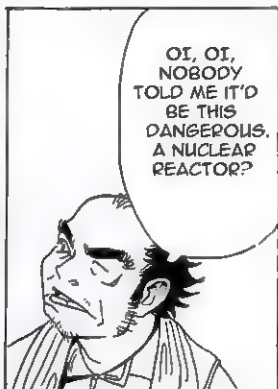
I DON'T
THINK HE'D
JOKE
AROUND.

NUCLEAR-?!
HE
SERIOUS?!

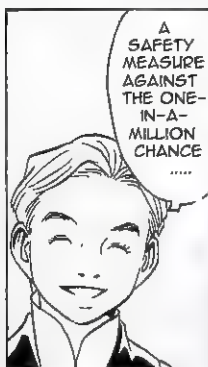
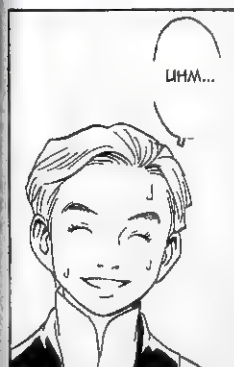
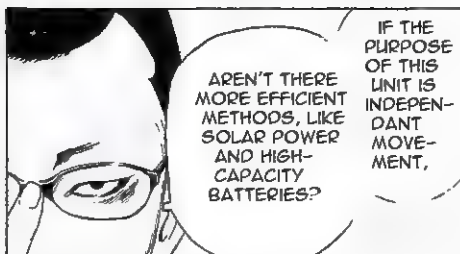
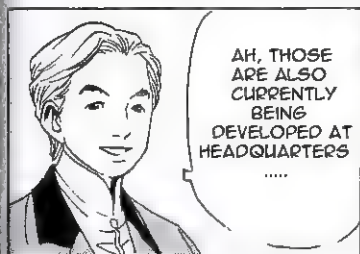
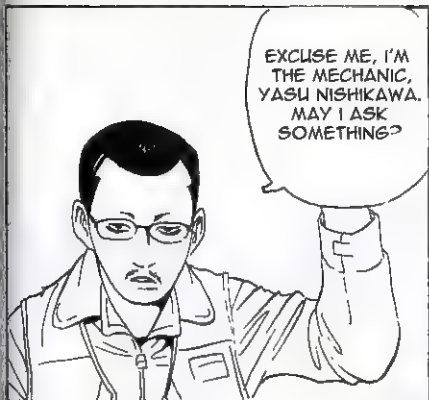


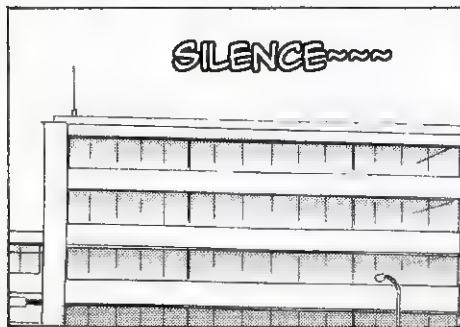
THIS UNIT IS EQUIPPED
WITH LATEST TECHNOLOGY.
EVEN IF IN A ONE-IN-A-
MILLION CHANCE AN
EXPLOSION OCCURS,
BECAUSE THE CORE IS
REINFORCED WITH
MINOVSKY PARTICLES, THE
DANGER OF ANY SERIOUS
RADIATION IS, WELL...

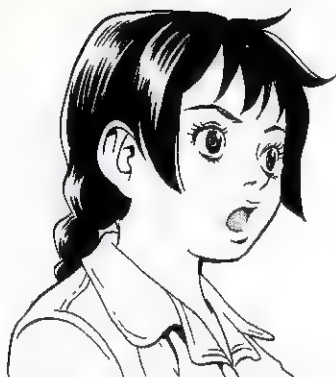
DANGER-
OUS?
NO, NO...
IT'S QUITE
SAFE.



OI, OI,
NOBODY
TOLD ME IT'D
BE THIS
DANGEROUS.
A NUCLEAR
REACTOR?







SO UHM...
IF WE REFUSE,
WHAT'LL
HAPPEN TO
THIS PROJECT?

HEY,
CAN I
ASK ONE
MORE
THING?

SCRA-
PPED...
HUH.

I'LL TRY
COMMISSIONING
ANOTHER PLACE.
OTHERWISE, THIS
WILL JUST BE
SCRAPPED AS IT
IS.

THAT'D
BE A BIT
OF A
SHAME,
WOULDN'T
IT...

HEY YASU,
WHADDAYA
THINK? YOU
WANNA TINKER
AROUND WITH
IT?

WHAT DO
YOU OLD
MEN THINK?
HOW DOES
THIS DESIGN
LOOK?



I'LL DO
WHATEVER
YOU AND THE
BOSS TELL
ME TO DO.



GETS
UP



HUUUH?...
DESIGN?



HMPH...
MIGHTY
FINE.

WELL, IT
LOOKS
MIGHTY
FINE,
DON'T
IT?



WHAT ABOUT
YOU AUNTIE?
HOW DO YOU
FEEL 'BOUT
HANDLING
NUCLEAR
POWER?

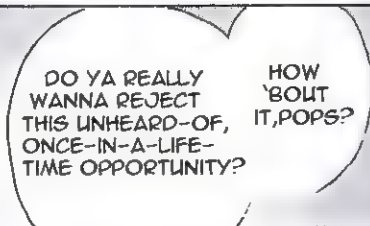
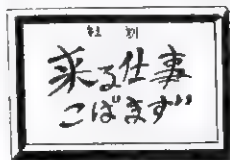


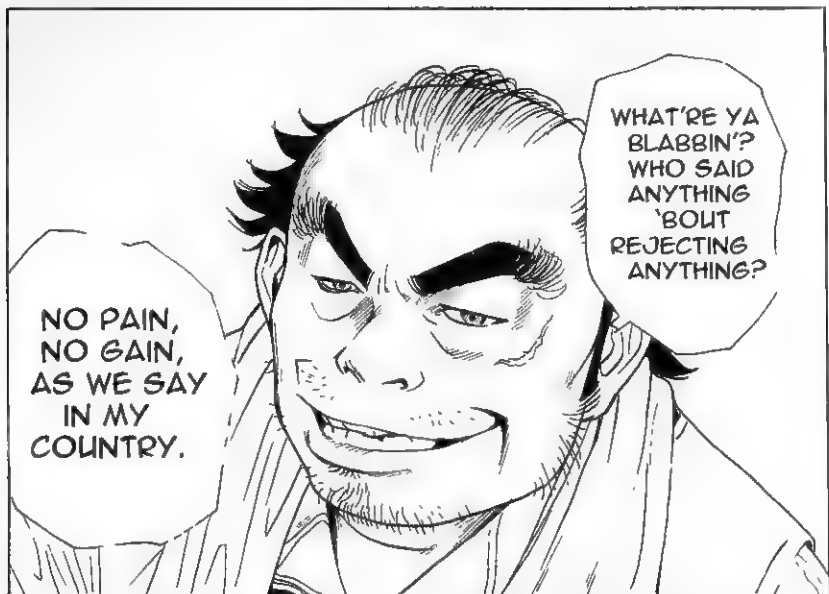
WHAT
ABOUT YOU
GUYS? ANY
OBJECTIONS?



WELL NOW,
SPACE IS
JUST ONE
OPEN DOOR
AWAY SO I'M
FINE, DEFINITELY
WORRIED.
WITH
ANYTHING.







BACK IN
MY COUNTRY,
WE ALWAYS
DRINK
CHEERS AT
INITIATION
CEREMONIES.

UH...
ALL IN
ONE
GO?



...OK
THEN...

HERE
I GO



WOAH!
THIS
GLY
CAN
DRINK!

GULP GULP
GULP

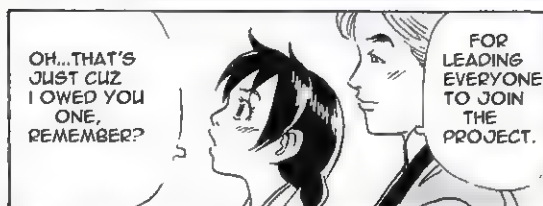


BUT FIRST,
LET'S HAVE
SUPERVISOR
THEO TAKE
A SWIG.



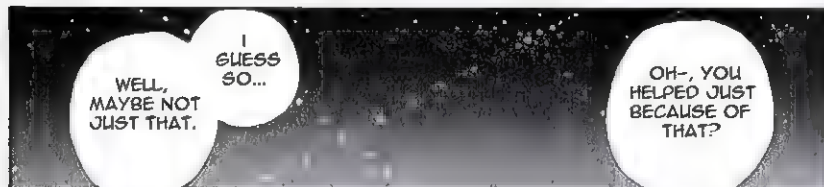
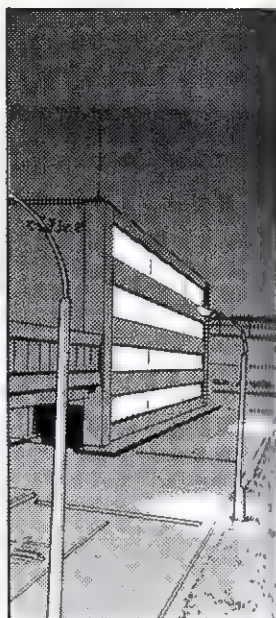
HUH?
WHAT
FOR?

MISS MION
THANK YOU
FOR EARLIER.



OH...THAT'S
JUST CUZ
I OWED YOU
ONE,
REMEMBER?

FOR
LEADING
EVERYONE
TO JOIN
THE
PROJECT.



WELL,
MAYBE NOT
JUST THAT.

I
GUESS
SO...

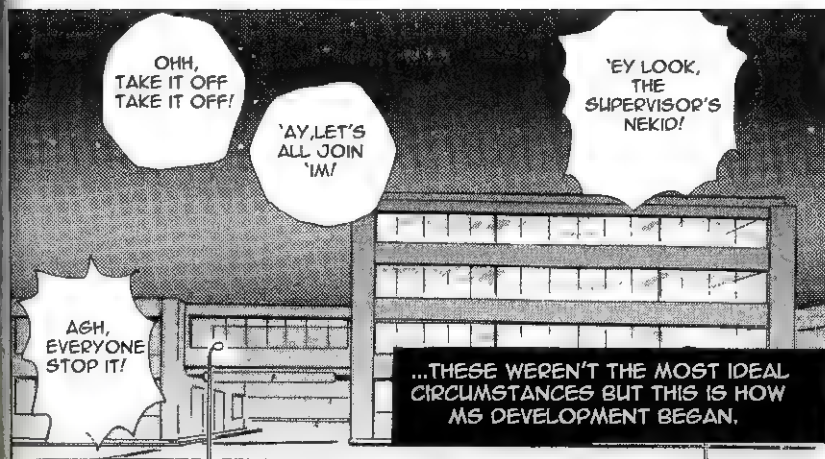
OH-, YOU
HELPED JUST
BECAUSE OF
THAT?



SO, NO
NEED TO
THANK
ME.

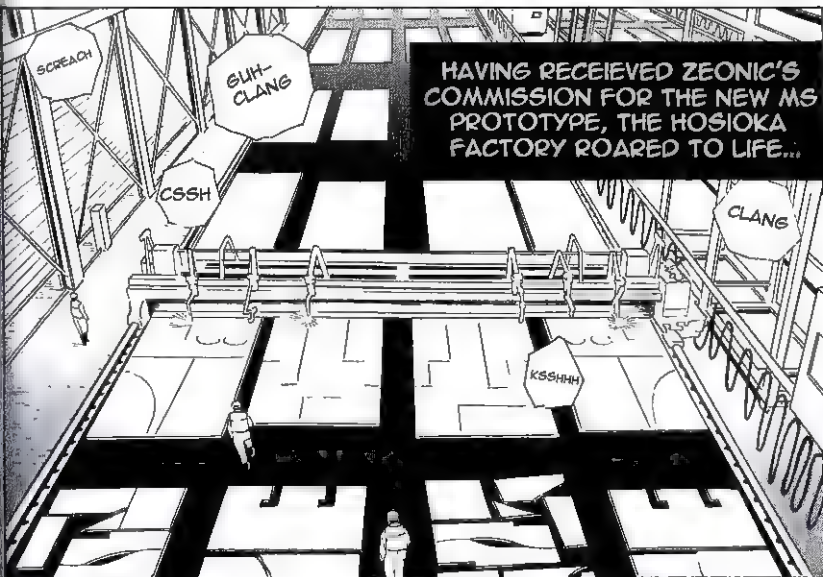


WHEN I
SAW THE CG
OF THAT NEW
MODEL,
I THOUGHT
"AWESOME! I
WANNA RIDE IT."

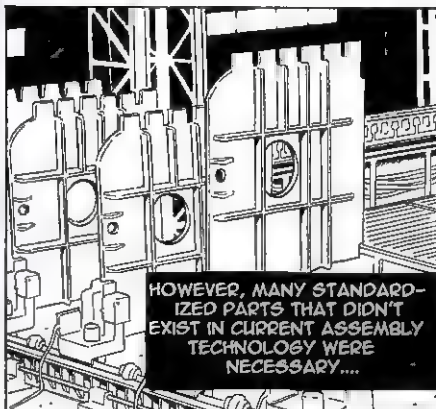
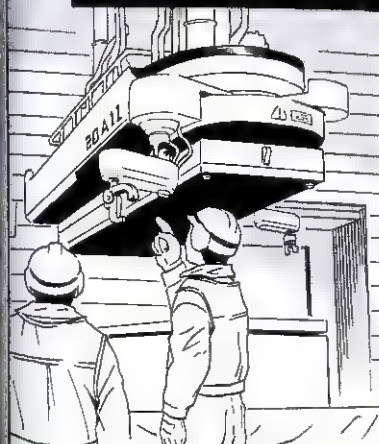
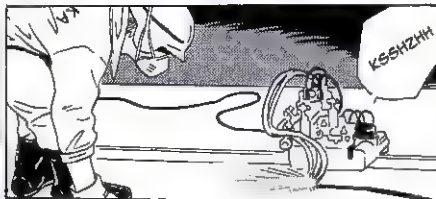


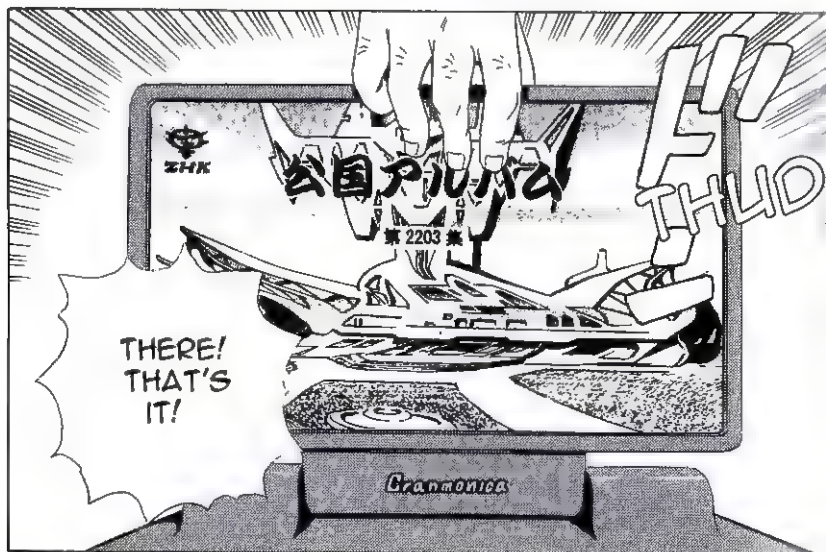
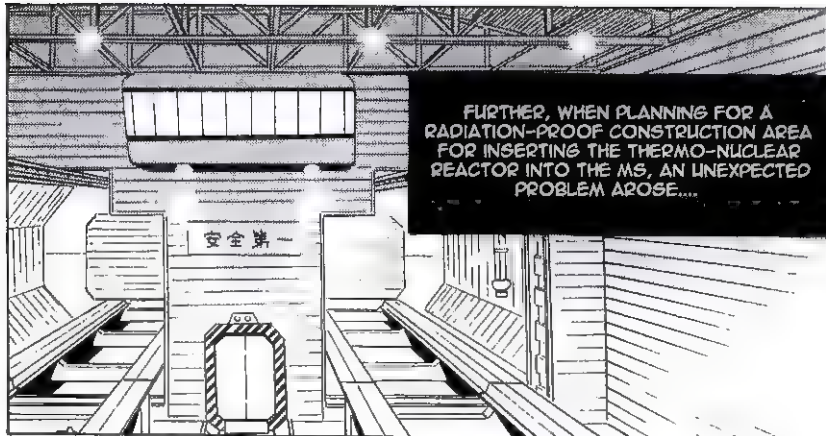
**Project.03 : REDESIGN! RADIATION-
PROOF WORK AREA**

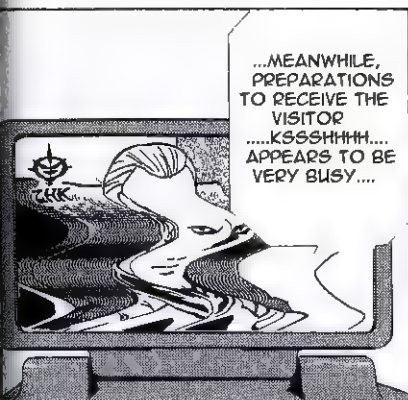




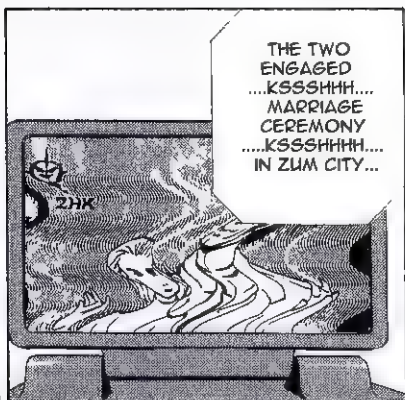
THE ENGINEERS BEGAN MAKING THE VERY MACHINERY NEEDED FOR THE PRODUCTION LINE. PROGRESS WAS SLOW...







...MEANWHILE,
PREPARATIONS
TO RECEIVE THE
VISITOR
....KSSSHHH....
APPEARS TO BE
VERY BUSY....



THE TWO
ENGAGED
....KSSSHHH....
MARRIAGE
CEREMONY
....KSSSHHH....
IN ZUM CITY...



SO
WHAT'S
THE
PROBLEM?

FORGET
HIM, THE
OTHER ONE
LOOKS LIKE
A FREAKIN'
BEAR. WHAT
DOES SHE
EVEN SEE IN
HIM?

AH, I DON'T
LIKE THAT GUY.
HE LOOKS
LIKE A CROOK.

MUNCH
MUNCH



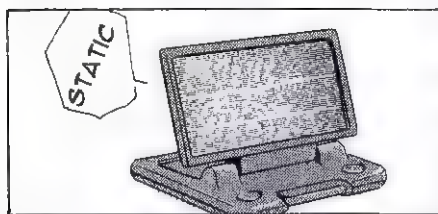
HHMMMM
....?

IT'S NOTHIN'
TO DO WITH
THE PROGRAM
ITSELF!



NOT
THEM!
IT'S
THIS!

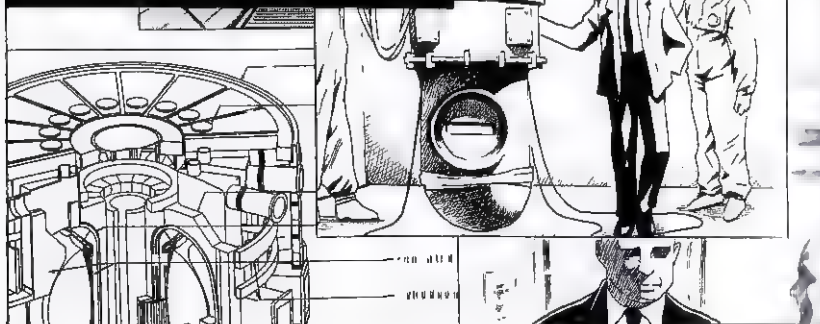
....ENTERED
MIDDLE
SCHOOL
....KSSSHH....
BROUGHT
HIS SCHOOL
FRIENDS....

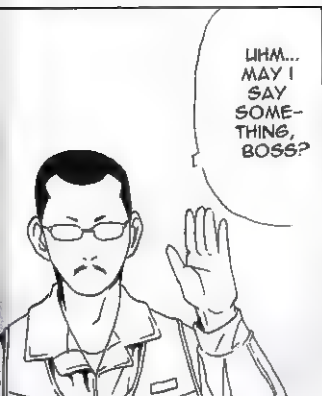


-AT THIS TIME, ONLY A HANDFUL OF ENGINEERS KNEW ABOUT MINOVSKY PARTICLES...BUT EVEN FEWER KNEW ABOUT THE FLIP SIDE OF MINOVSKY PARTICLES.

ORIGINALLY USED TO SIMPLIFY NUCLEAR FUSION BY GETTING RID OF THE NEED FOR BIG ISOLATED FACTORIES, MINOVSKY PARTICLES HAVE THE ATTRIBUTE OF BLOCKING TRANSMISSION OF ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES, FROM MICROWAVES TO VLF*. IT IS A DOUBLE EGGED SWORD THAT RENDERS CURRENT WIRELESS COMMUNICATION USELESS.

*VERY LOW FREQUENCY WAVES





UHM...
MAY I
SAY
SOME-
THING,
BOSS?

THAT'S WHY
I SAID
WE GOT
A BIG
PROBLEM!



WAIT, SO
HOW DO WE
CONTACT
THE WORK
ROOM?

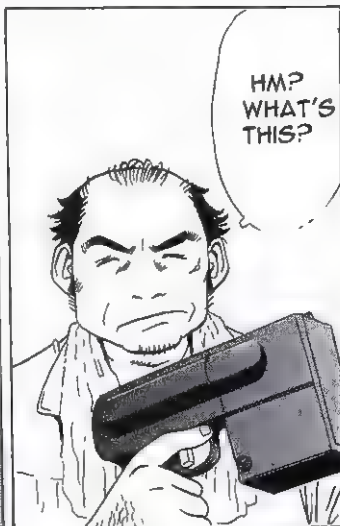


THE WORKERS
AND I TRIED
MAKING THESE
AS A COUNTER-
MEASURE TO
MINOVSKY
PARTICLES.



HOW DO
I USE IT...?

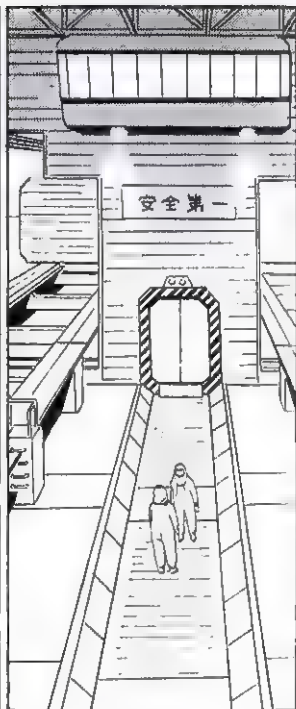
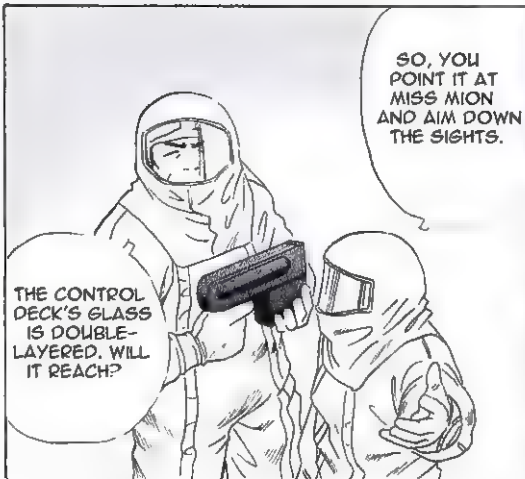
IT'S A SUPER-
DIRECTED MEGA-
PHONE. IT CONVERTS
SOUND INTO
ULTRASONIC WAVES
AND IS NOT
AFFECTED BY
JAMMING.

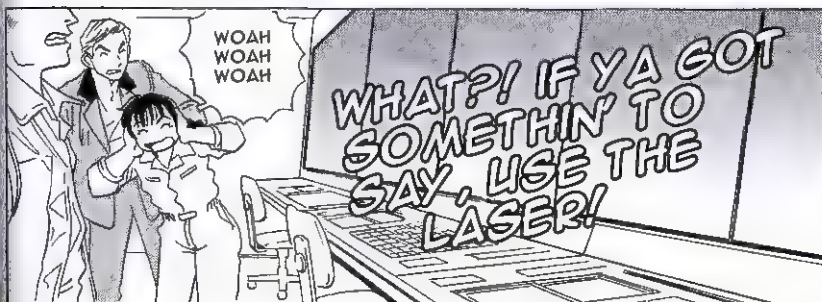
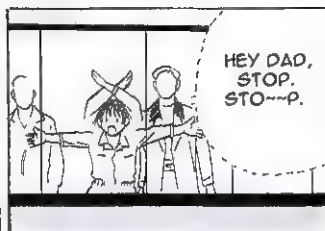
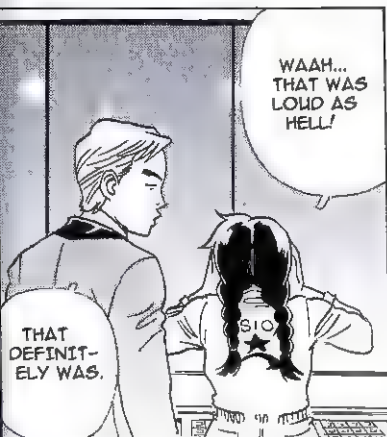


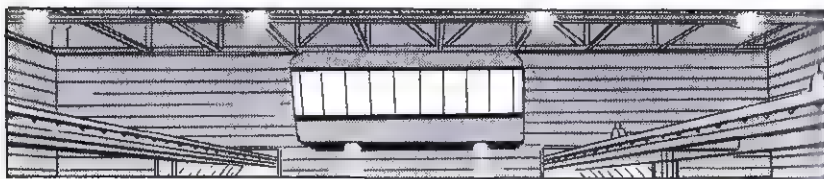
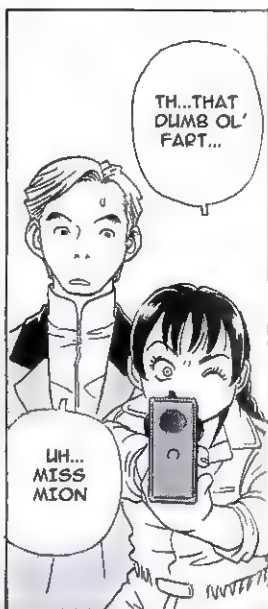
HM?
WHAT'S
THIS?



LIKE A
REGULAR
MEGAPHONE.
CARE TO
GIVE IT A
SPIN?







AAH, YA
MEAN
MORSE
CODE.

NO, NO, WE'D
JUST TURN
THIS ONE LIGHT
ON AND OFF...

LIGHT
COMMUNICATION,
HHH...WE GOT
NO GLASS
FIBER CABLES
'BOUT HERE.

WHAT
ABOUT
LIGHT
COMMUNICA-
TION?

IT'S VERY
ANTIQUATED.
CAN YA OLD
MEN DO IT?

MORSE...
AN OLD
CENTURY
METHOD OF
COMMUNICA-
TION, EH?

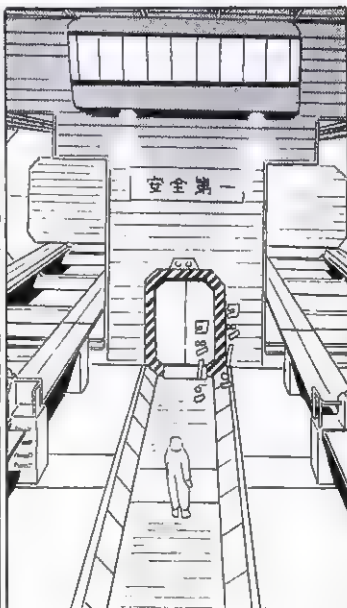
HMPH...
LET'S TRY
SOMETHIN'
SIMPLE...

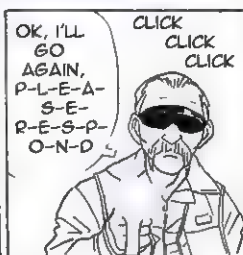
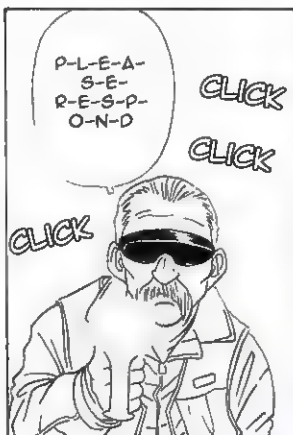
AH, YUR
HERE. SEND
HIM A
MESSAGE.

CLICK

P-L-E-A-
S-E-
R-E-S-P-
O-N-D

clickity
click







OH THAT'S
RIGHT, WE
CAN TRY
LASER
COMMUNIC-
ATION.

LASER
COMMUN-
ICATION?



DOESN'T
ANYBODY
HAVE AN
IDEA?



SINCE A LASER IS
USED, YOU CAN
TRANSFER LARGE
AMOUNTS OF DATA
AT FAST SPEEDS. IT'S
ALREADY BEING USED IN
INTERSTELLAR
COMMUNICATION SO IT
CAN BE USED AS IS.

IT'S THEORE-
TICALLY THE
SAME AS
LIGHT COMM-
UNICATION
BUT



YA IDIOT! HOW
ARE YA GONNA
GET THAT THING
IN HERE, EH?
TELL ME!

NOW
THAT I
THINK
ABOUT IT,
I DON'T
KNOW.



INTERSTELLAR
COMMUN-...
JUST HOW BIG
IS THIS THING?



WELL...
USUALLY
ABOUT
THE SIZE
OF THIS
ROOM...

LIKE THE BATTLEFIELD
COMMUNICATION SOLDIERS



WHAT IF
WE
COMMUN-
ICATE
THROUGH
CABLES?

DUMBASS!
HOW ARE WE
GONNA WORK
WITH CABLES
ALL OVER
THE PLACE!?



ISN'T
THERE
SOME-
THING?
SOME-
THING?!



FLAG
SIGNALS...

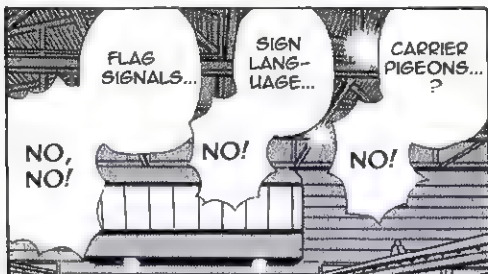
SIGN
LANG-
UAGE...

CARRIER
PIGEONS...
?

NO,
NO!

NO!

NO!



WHAT
ABOUT
SMOKE
SIGNALS?

IDIOT,
NO!



CRINKLE

HAHAHA...
THAT'S IT...?
NO MORE
IDEAS?



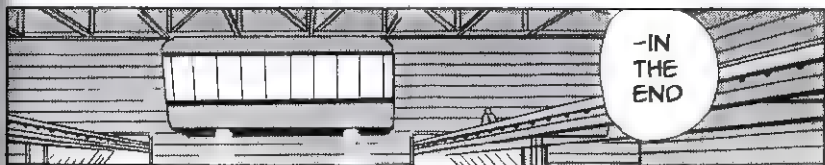
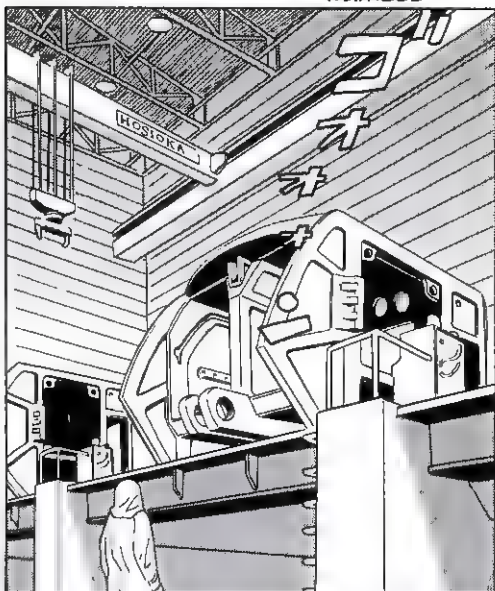
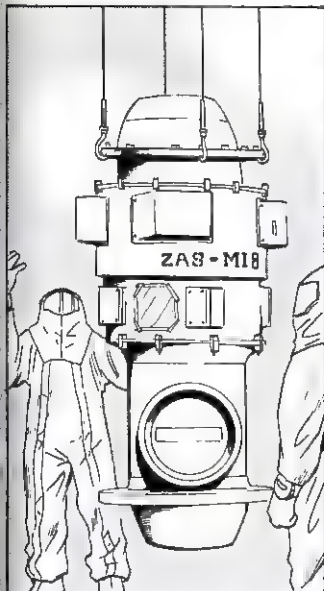
WELL, IT
MIGHT NOT
BE VERY
GOOD BUT...

MUNCH
MUNCH



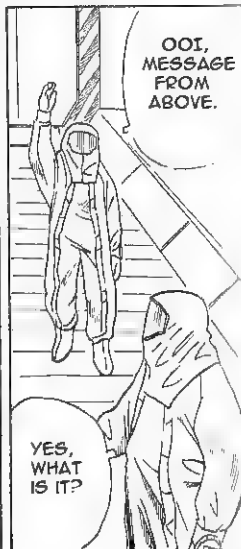
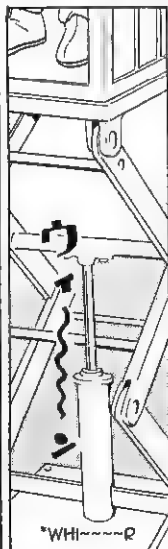
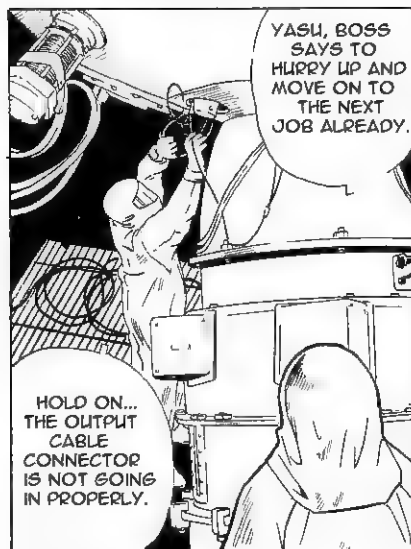
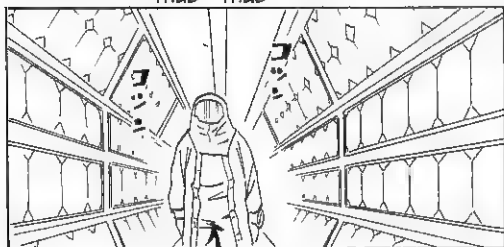
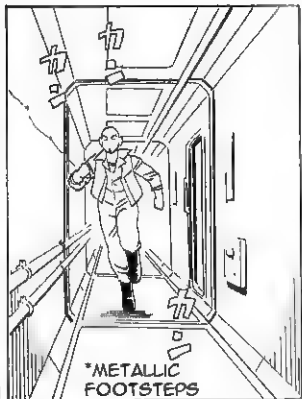
UHM...
CAN I
SAY
SOME-
THING?

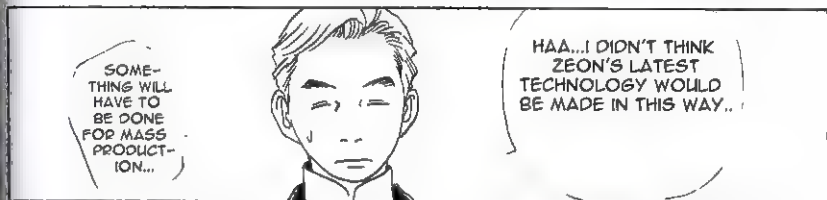
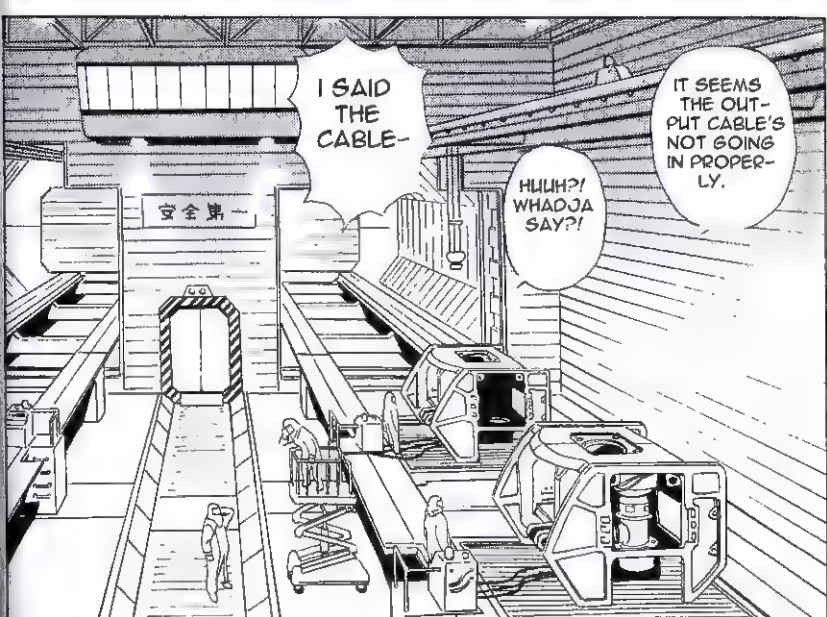




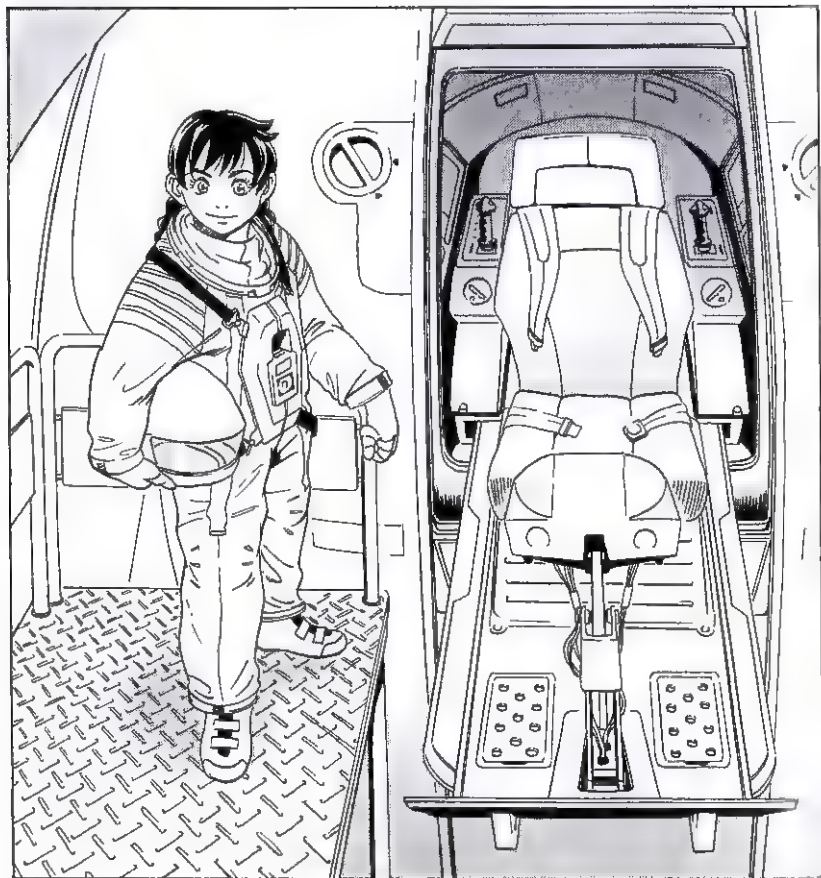


THUD THUD

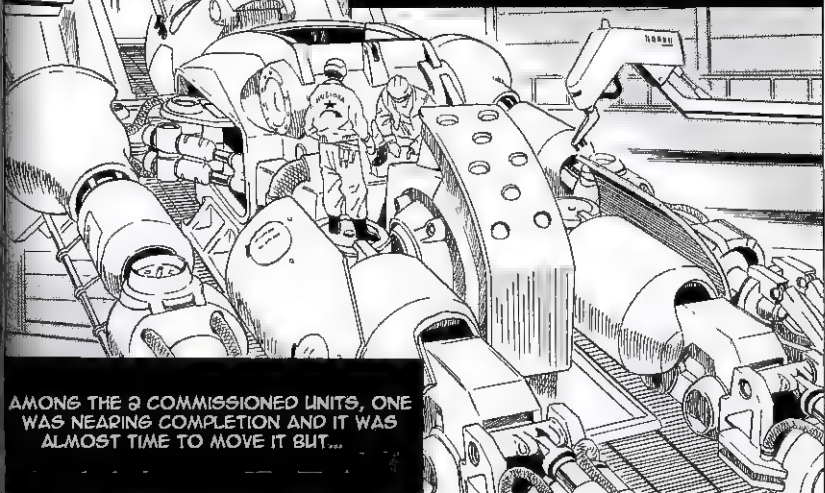




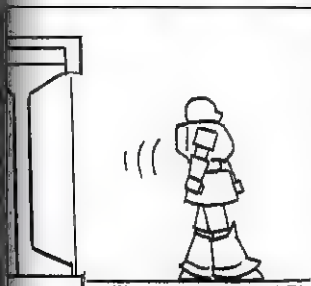
Project.04 : INSTALLATION/ VIRTUAL OPERATOR SYSTEM



AS PER THE COMMISSION, THE MS WAS A WHOLE 18 METERS TALL, BUT IT TOOK UP TOO MUCH ROOM IN THE MAIN BUILDING'S ASSEMBLY DOCK. UPON FULL ASSEMBLY, THE MS HAD TO BE MOVED TO A DIFFERENT DOCK...



AMONG THE 3 COMMISSIONED UNITS, ONE WAS NEARING COMPLETION AND IT WAS ALMOST TIME TO MOVE IT BUT...



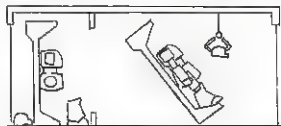
IT WAS HERE THAT ANOTHER PROBLEM SURFACED.

FROM THE REST OF THE FACTORY

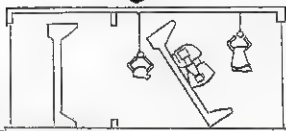
→ ASSEMBLY DOCK →


FINAL FITTING DOCK

PARTS BROUGHT FROM ALL OVER THE FACTORY



WALKS ON ITS OWN FEET TO NEXT DOCK






HEY, WHY DO
I GOTTA WEAR
THIS GETUP
IN THE
SIMULATOR?

A young woman with dark hair in pigtails, wearing a flight suit and a helmet, stands in a large industrial-looking room. She is holding the helmet and looking surprised. In the background, there is a large, complex piece of machinery, possibly a simulator or a reactor component, with various pipes and structural elements.

-YES, UP TO THIS POINT,
NOBODY HAS EVER
ACTUALLY PILOTED AN MS.



WELL, RIGHT
NOW...IF WE
CAN ENSURE
THE REACTOR'S
SAFETY, SHE CAN
WEAR SOMETHING
LIGHTER...MAYBE
EVEN CIVILIAN
CLOTHING WILL
BE OK.

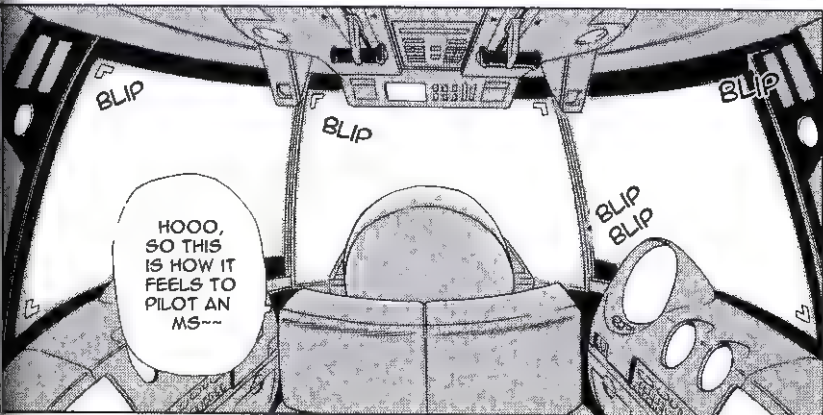
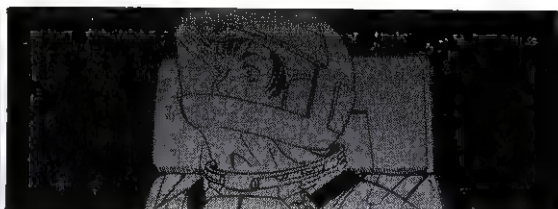
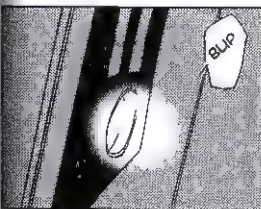
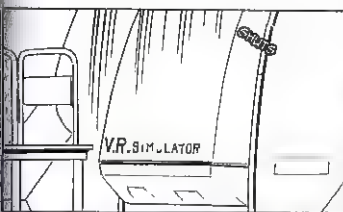
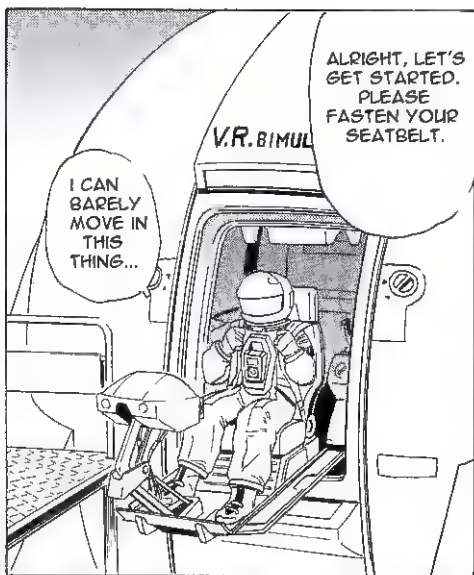
A close-up of a man's face, looking slightly to the side with a slight smile.



THAT
ALMOST
LOOKS
LIKE A
SPACE
SUIT

Two people are shown in a room. On the left, a person with dark hair is looking towards the right. On the right, a man with light hair is looking forward with a surprised expression, his hand near his face. There are some faint, illegible marks to the left of the person with dark hair.

MISS MION,
ACTUAL PILOTS
HAVE TO WEAR
THAT. IT'S
POINTLESS IF
YOU CAN'T
GET USED TO
IT RIGHT?



YEAH,
I'M
GOOD.

ANYWAY,
LET'S
START FROM
STAGE 1. ARE
YOU READY?

-NO...
CHECKING
COURSE
CONDITIONS
ON
MONITORS

VIRTUAL OPERATION
START

BLIP

CONDI-
TIONS...
PUBLIC
PAVED
ROAD...

UHM...FIRST,
GENERATOR
OUTPUT CHECK.
ALL BLOCK
SENSORS
GREEN...UHM...

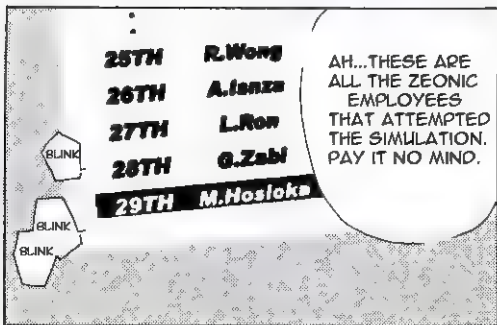
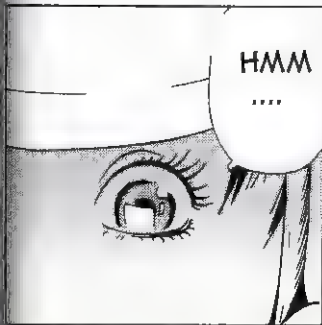
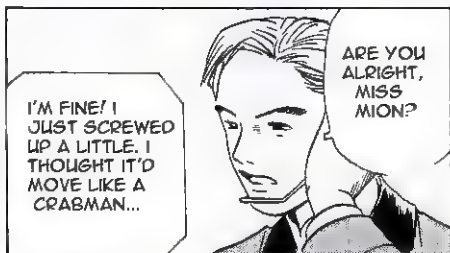
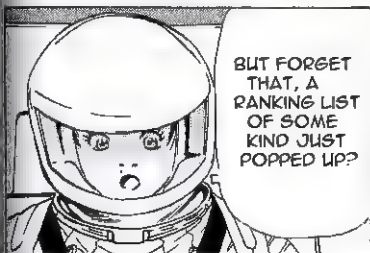
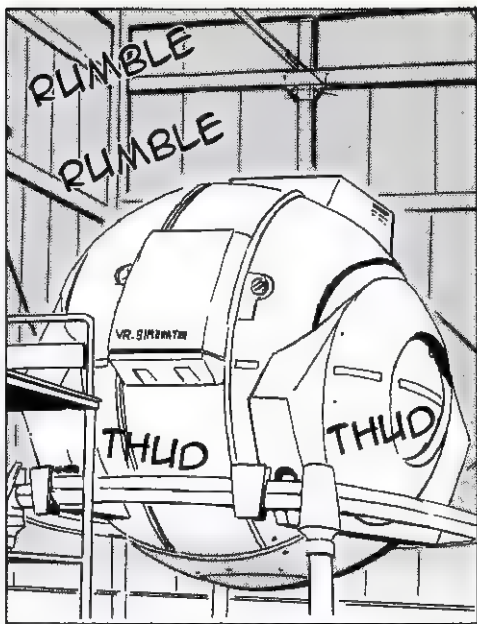
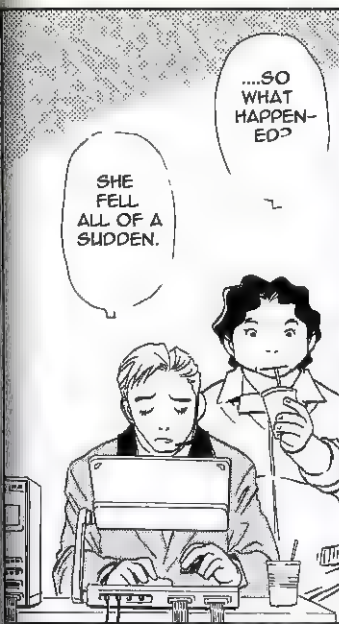
ALRIGHT,
MOVING
FORWARD

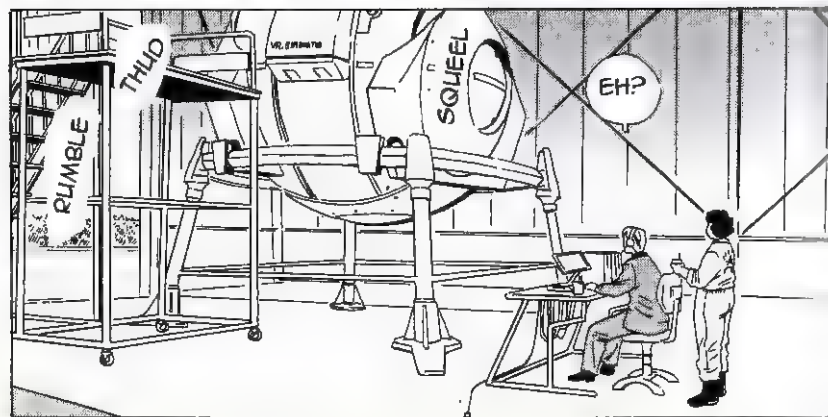
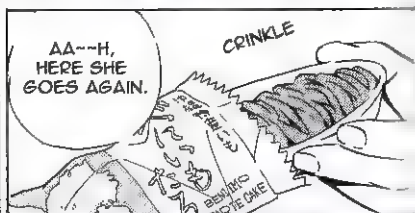
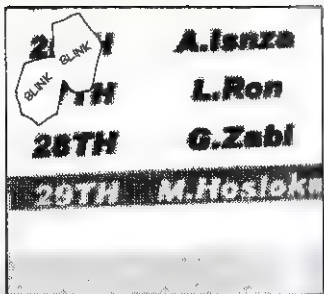
WAAH!!

THUD THUD

WAAH!!

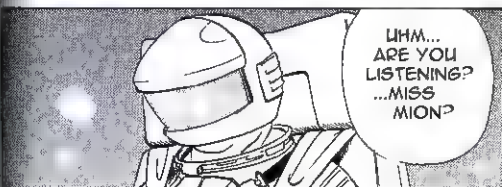
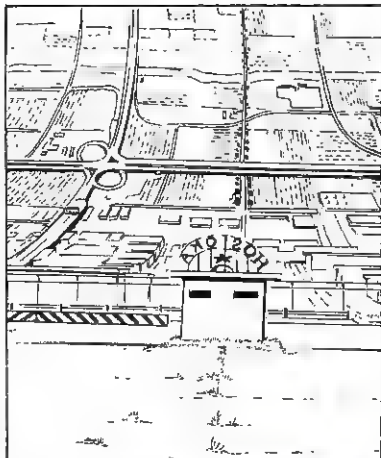
TOO
FAST-



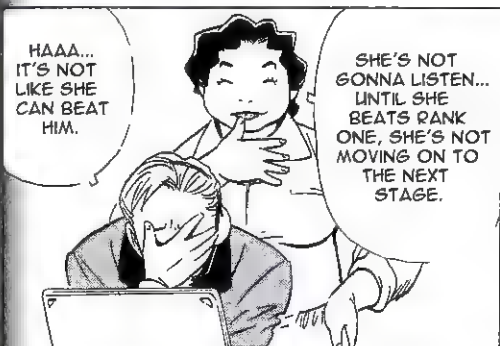




YAWN...



UHM...
ARE YOU
LISTENING?
...MISS
MION?



HAAA...
IT'S NOT
LIKE SHE
CAN BEAT
HIM.

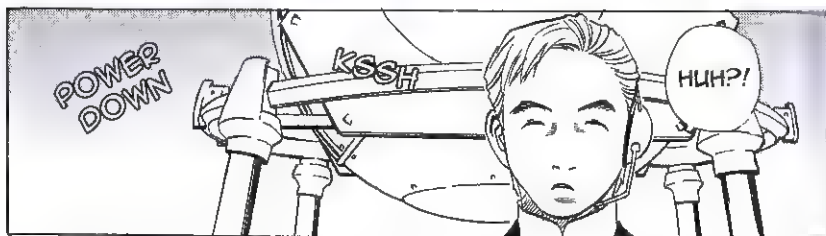
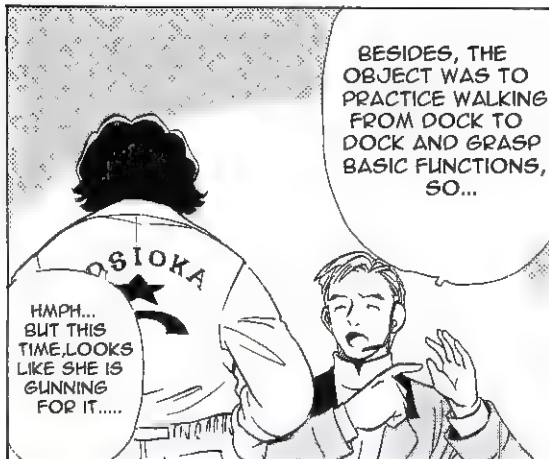
SHE'S NOT
GONNA LISTEN...
UNTIL SHE
BEATS RANK
ONE, SHE'S NOT
MOVING ON TO
THE NEXT
STAGE.



REALLY, THE
RANKINGS
ARE JUST
A JOKE.

THE
CREATORS
OF THIS
THING
WERE JUST
MESSING
AROUND.

-SO I
REALLY
THINK WE
SHOULD
MOVE ON
TO THE
NEXT
STAGE...

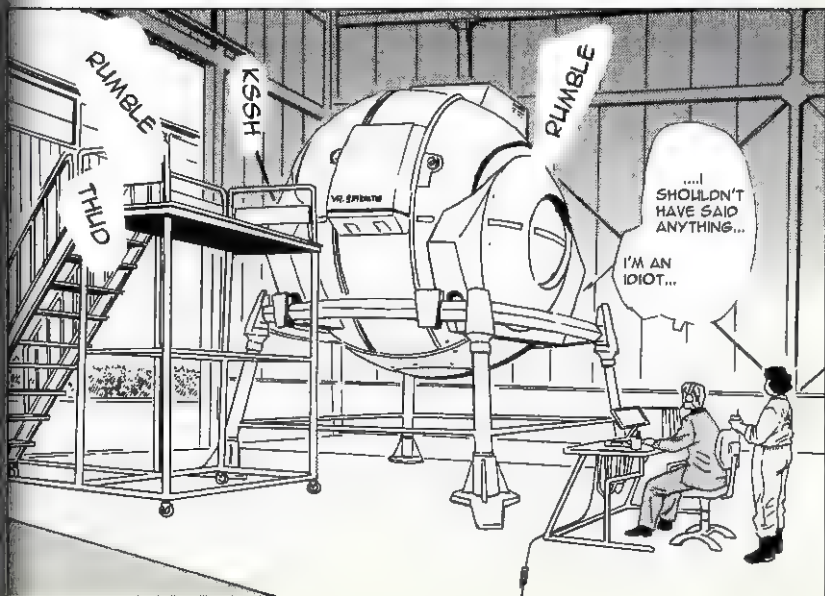
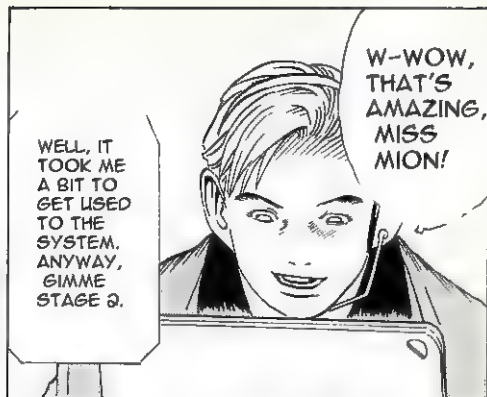


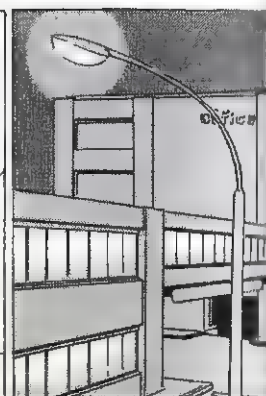
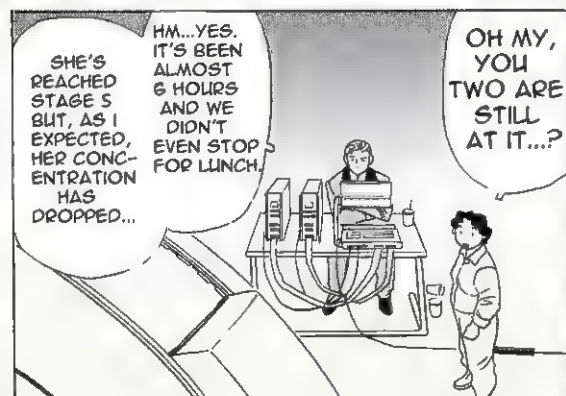
RANK	NAME	ERR
1ST	M.Hosioka	0 BLIP
2ND	E.Lem	0
		0
		1
		1

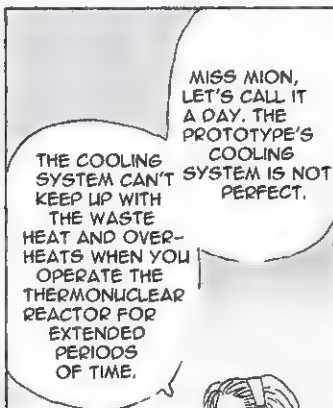
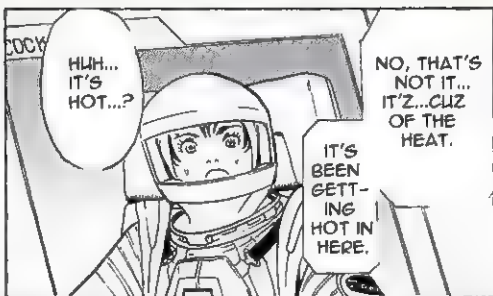
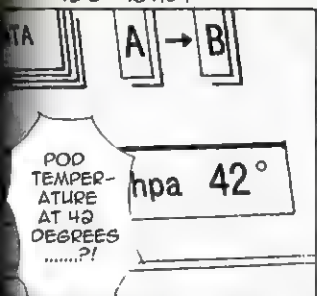
STAGE1 clear of The Top!!

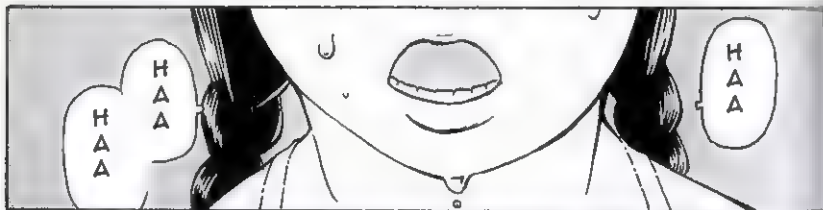
RANKING DATA

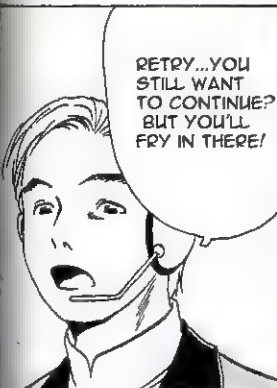
RANK	NAME	ERROR	TIME
1ST	M.Hosioka	0	00:05:48
2ND	E.Lem	0	00:05:56









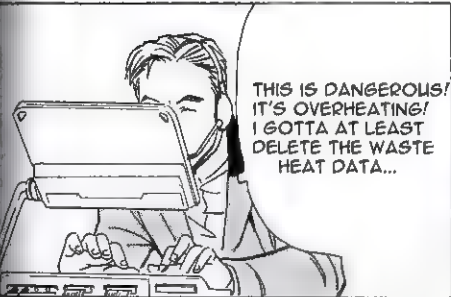


RETRY...YOU
STILL WANT
TO CONTINUE?
BUT YOU'LL
FRY IN THERE!



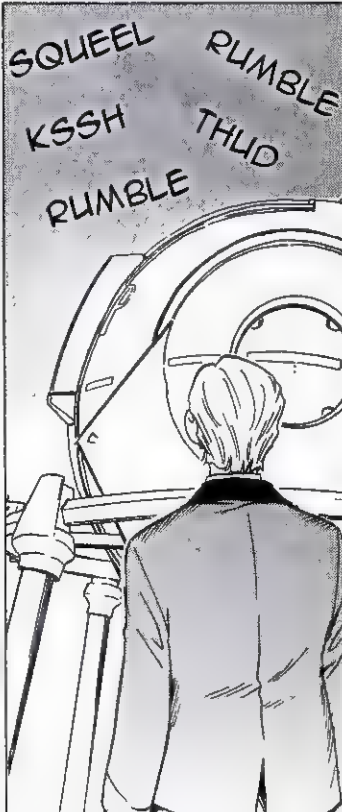
I'M GONNA
RETRY ONE MORE
TIME SO DON'T
STOP IT. JUST A
LITTLE MORE AND
I CAN CLEAR IT
THIS TIME.

MISS
MION? MISS
MION...ARE
YOU
ALRIGHT?



THIS IS DANGEROUS!
IT'S OVERHEATING!
I GOTTA AT LEAST
DELETE THE WASTE
HEAT DATA...

SQUEEL RUMBLE
KSSH THUD
RUMBLE



BLIP

49°

BLIP
BLIP

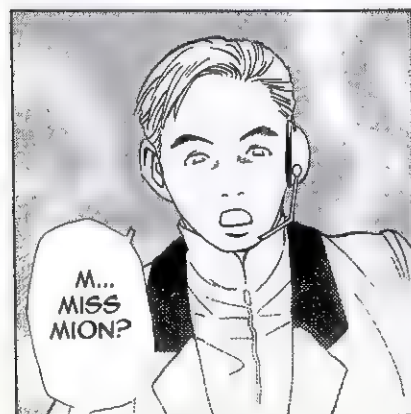
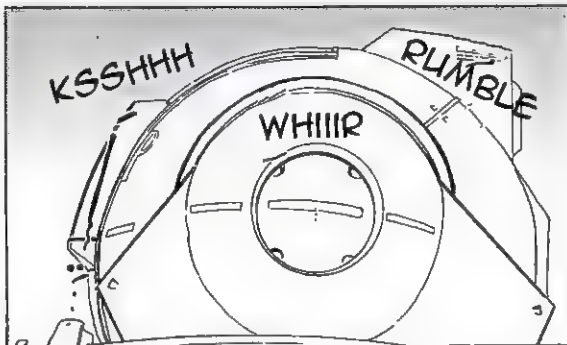
→ B

BLIP

47°



DAMN. SO
I CAN'T DO
ANYTHING
WHILE IT'S IN
OPERATION...



*METALLIC FOOTSTEPS

STAGE5 clear
of The Top!!

RANK

1ST M.Hosioka

2ND E.Lem

3RD S.Chou

HAA...
HAA...
HAA...

HAA...
THIS...
MIGHT BE
GOOD
FOR MY
DIET.

HA...HAHA,
YOU
REALLY
DID BEAT
ALL THE OLD
RECORDS,
DIDN'T
YOU?

THUS, THE WORLD'S FIRST MS
OPERATOR WAS BORN. LATER,
MION SAFELY COMPLETED THE
WALK TO THE DOCK.

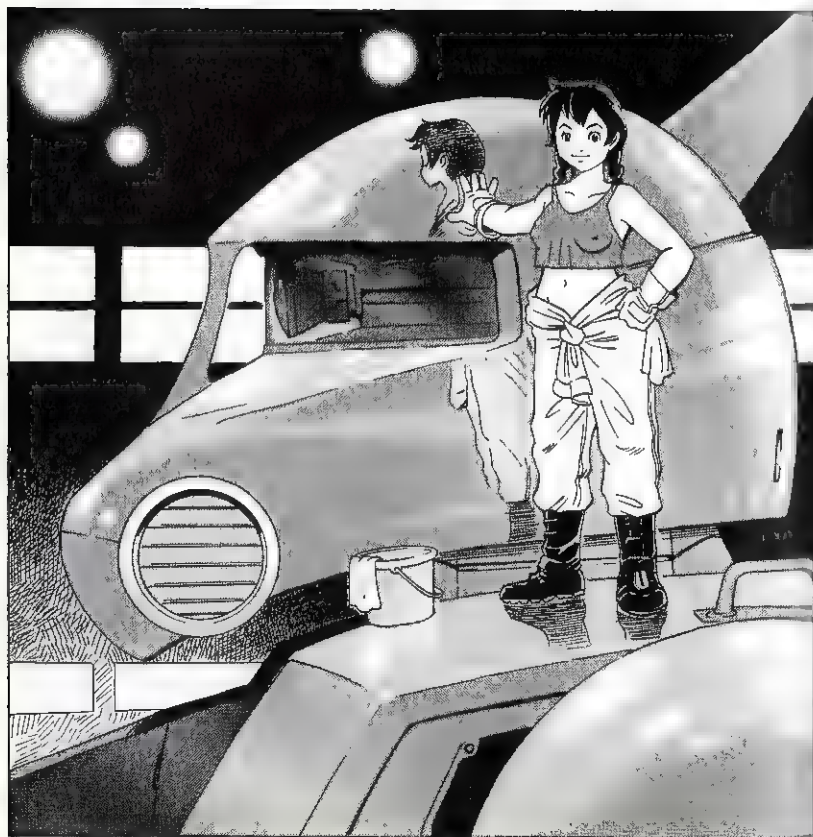
FURTHERMORE, HER SIMULATION DATA
WAS USED AS AN EXAMPLE IN THE
MOBILE TRAINING BATTALION
ESTABLISHED IN YEAR 0075...BUT NOT
MANY KNEW THE REASON FOR HER
IMPROVEMENT.

目標
5kg減!
V.R.SIMULATOR

*GOAL: LOSE 5KG (11LB)

Project.04 : end


**Project.05 : DISCOVERY!
COMPUTER BUG**





AFTER AN ANTI-CORROSION AGENT
WAS APPLIED TO THE STRENGTHENED
STEEL BODIES, THE PROTOTYPES
WERE ALMOST COMPLETE...

THE GOLDEN YELLOW GIANTS
WERE STANDING, AWAITING
DELIVERY...



OR WERE SUPPOSED
TO BE...



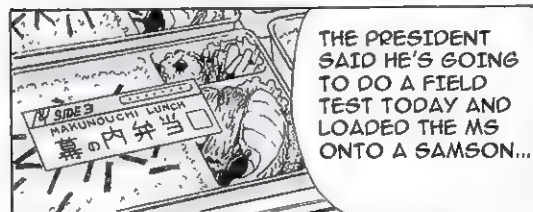
UHM...
WHERE...?



OH MY...
DIDN'T
YOU
HEAR?

BENTOUS...?
SO...WHERE IS
EVERYONE?
AND THE MS?

AH SUPERVISOR
THEO. JUST IN
TIME. I WAS JUST
ABOUT TO TAKE
SOME *BENTOUS
TO EVERYONE.
CAN YOU GIMME
A HAND?



THE PRESIDENT
SAID HE'S GOING
TO DO A FIELD
TEST TODAY AND
LOADED THE MS
ONTO A SAMSON...

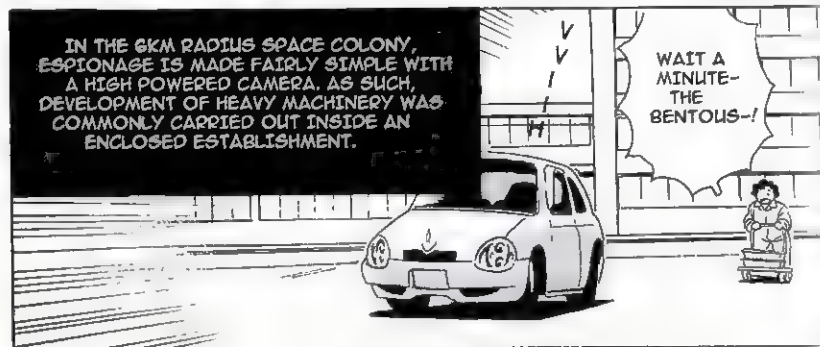


HE WENT TO
THAT PLACE?!
WHY DID HE-
I HAVE TO
STOP HIM!



AT THE
"MOUTH OF
THE RIVER"
IN THE
INDUSTRIAL
DISTRICT WHERE
LANDSCAPING
ISN'T FINISHED.

FIELD
TEST...?
WHERE?!



IN THE 6KM RADIUS SPACE COLONY,
ESPIONAGE IS MADE FAIRLY SIMPLE WITH
A HIGH POWERED CAMERA. AS SUCH,
DEVELOPMENT OF HEAVY MACHINERY WAS
COMMONLY CARRIED OUT INSIDE AN
ENCLOSED ESTABLISHMENT.

WAIT A
MINUTE-
THE
BENTOUS-!



POKE
POKE

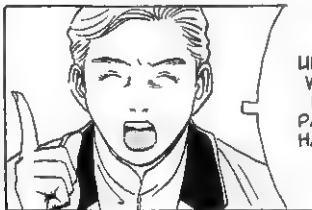
WE AT ZEONIC
DEVELOPED THIS
EPROTOTYPE IN
ABSOLUTE
SECRECY! TAKING
IT OUTSIDE FLIES
IN THE FACE OF
ALL COMMON
SENSE!!

YOU IDIOT!
WE MADE IT
AN' IT'S BAD
BUSINESS TO
DELIVER
FAULTY
PRODUCTS!



LIKE WE SAY
BACK HOME,
"THE DARKEST
PLACE IS UNDER
THE CANDLE-
STICK."

WHO'S GONNA THINK
AN IN-PROGRESS
PROTOTYPE'S GONNA
WALK AROUND IN
BROAD DAYLIGHT? NO
ONE'S GONNA
SUSPECT A SINGLE
THING.



UHH...BUT WHAT
WILL YOU DO
IF SOMEONE
PASSERBY JUST
HAPPENS TO
SEE IT?



WOOSH
WOOSH

HE, HE, HE

BOSS,
WATCH
OUT!!

WHAT'RE YA
BLABBIN'? IT
LOOKS LIKE JUST
SOME PLAIN OL'
LANDSCAPING,
AN' WE'RE NOT
EVEN MAKING
ANY NOISE. SO
DON'T GET YUR
PANTIES IN A
BUNCH.

UH WELL...
SHE
TRIPPED
WHILE GOING
UP AN
INCLINE.

WH-
WHAT
HAPPENED
YASU?!



YA
TRIPPED
EH?



EVEN THOUGH
I'M NOT AT
THE MAXIMUM
INCLINE, IT
JUST FROZE
ALL OF A
SUDDEN...

SOME-
THIN' FUNKY?
WHAT?

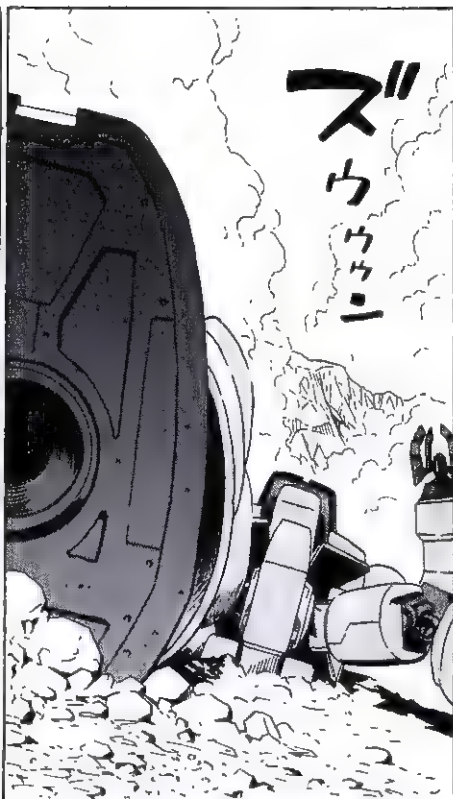
IT'S NOT
ME....
IT'S DOIN'
SOME-
THING
FUNNY.

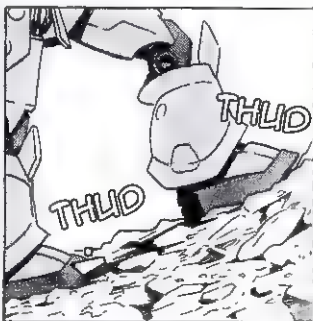
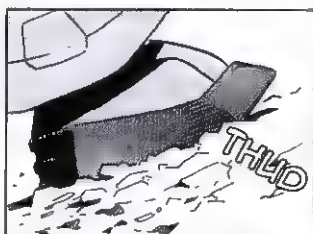
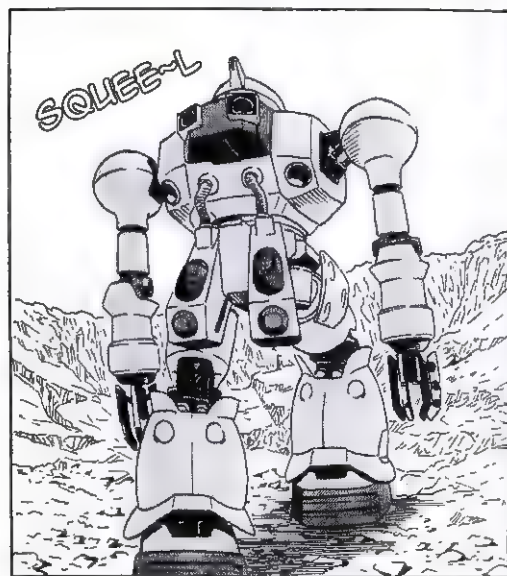
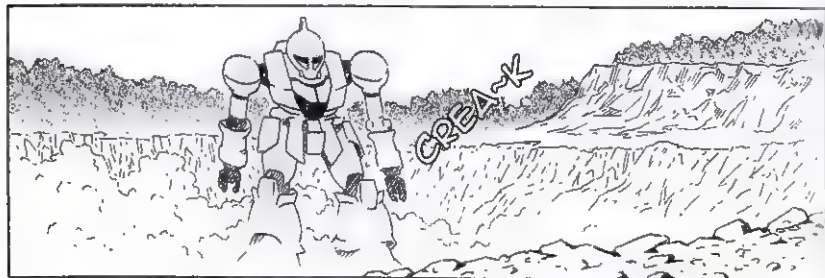
SO I TRIED
MOVIN'
FORWARD
AN FELL.

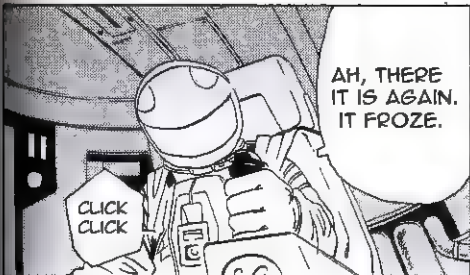


OI, MION!
WHAT'RE
YA DOIN'?
THIS IS
CHILD'S
PLAY!

OWWIE
.....



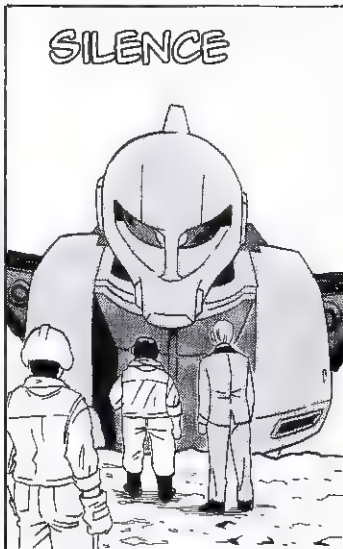




AH, THERE
IT IS AGAIN.
IT FROZE.



OI, OI.
WHAT'S
GOIN' ON!
THE INCLINE'S
NOT EVEN
30 DEGREES.



SILENCE



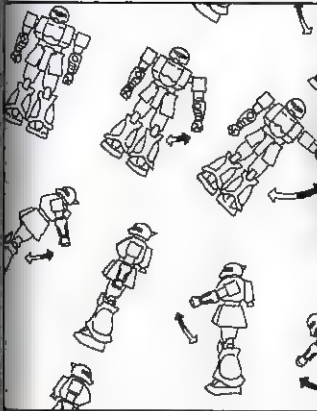
WHADJA
SAY?



MIGHT IT BE
A BUG IN
THE *AMBAC
SYSTEM....?

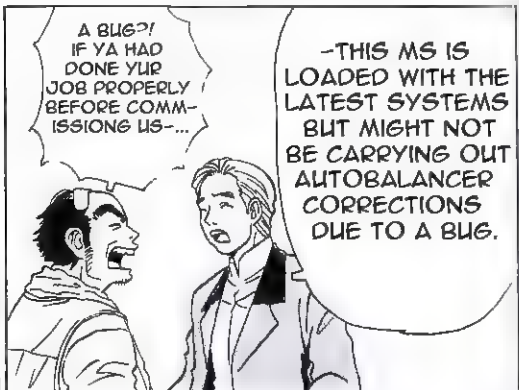
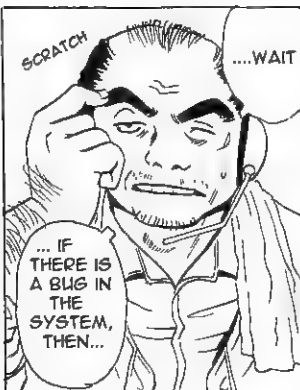
THE AUTO-
BALANCER
IS BEING
OVER-
LOADED...

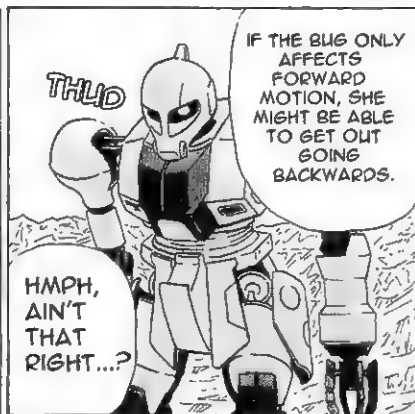
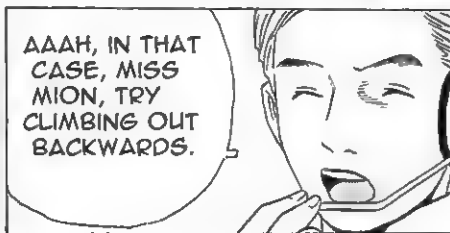
*ACRONYM FOR ACTIVE MASS BALANCE AUTO CONTROL SYSTEM

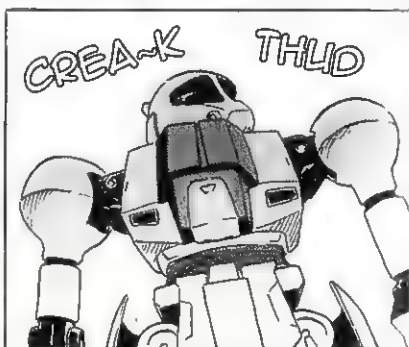
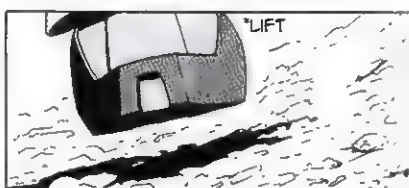
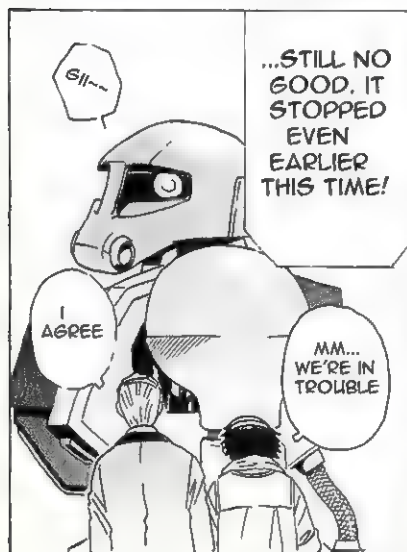
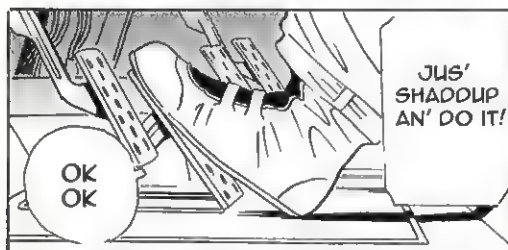


THE AMBAC SYSTEM (AUTOMATIC
POSTURE CONTROL USING
MOVEMENT OF MASS) IS USED FOR
POSTURE CORRECTION IN SPACE,
BUT EVEN UNDER GRAVITY, IT
COMPENSATES FOR SLOPE AND
ANY POSTURES SO THE MS DOESN'T
FALL.

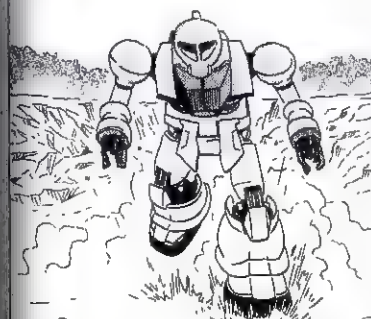








THUD
THUD
THUD

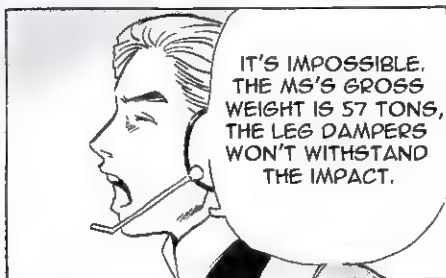


QUIT
BLABBIN',
YOU WANNA
JUMP IN AN
MS?!

HEY, FORGET
CLIMBING, WHAT
IFI DID A RUNNING
JUMP?

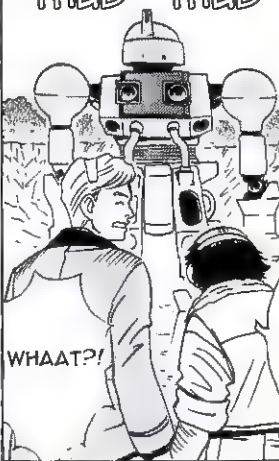


IT'S IMPOSSIBLE.
THE MS'S GROSS
WEIGHT IS 57 TONS,
THE LEG DAMPERS
WON'T WITHSTAND
THE IMPACT.



THUD THUD

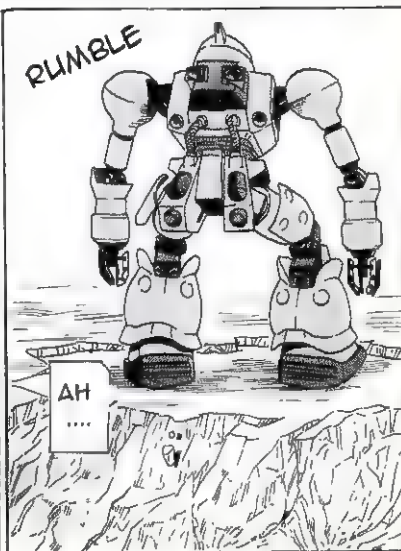
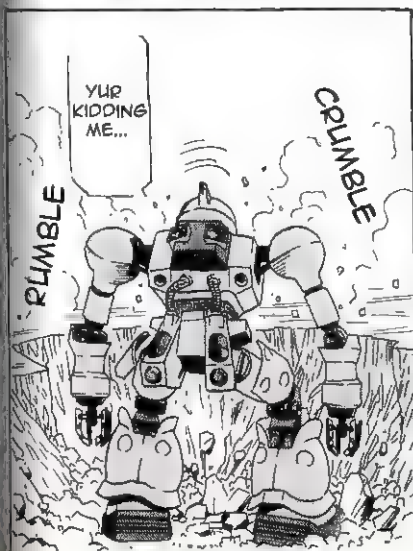
I'M
GOING.
Y'ALL
BETTER
MOVE.



AH,
THAT
IDIOT'S
SERIOUS!

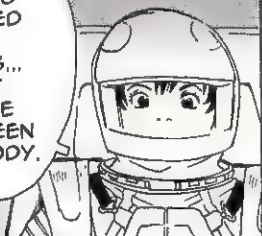
*RUMBLE







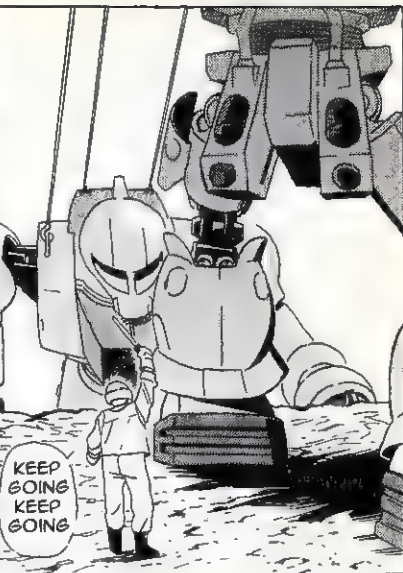
AAAHH, THE
TEST WAS
CANCELLED
AFTER
ALL THIS...
WELL, AT
LEAST WE
WEREN'T SEEN
BY ANYBODY.



SUPER-
VISOR,
BEHIND
YOU!!

I WAS
A BIT
WORRIED
AT FIRST
BUT...

YEAH



KEEP
GOING
KEEP
GOING

KERTHU~D

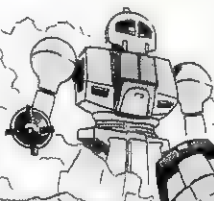
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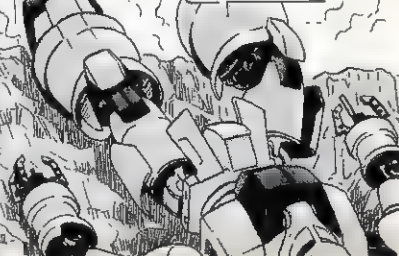
HLHP

YOU
DUMBIE




I-I'M SORRY,
I DIDN'T
SEE THE
BASIN
BEHIND ME...

-UNDER SUCH
CIRCUMSTANCES, DELIVERY
OF THE MS WAS GREATLY
DELAYED




Project.06 : INPUT! MOTION CAPTURE





THIS SUCKS
100 TIMES
MORE...


...I DIDN'T
LIKE THAT
SPACE-
LOOKING
SUIT BUT...



WELL, I
UNDER-
STAND
HOW YOU
FEEL BUT,

IT'S
TIGHT
AN' GIVES
ME A
WEDGEIE

YA DIDN'T
TELL ME IT'D
BE FULL BODY
TIGHTS-!

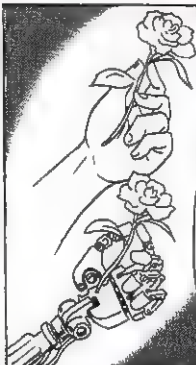


IN ORDER TO
ENCODE AN MS'S
"ROUTINE WORK,"
WE NEED TO
TRACE A HUMAN'S
MOVEMENTS. IT
WILL ONLY TAKE
A SHORT WHILE.



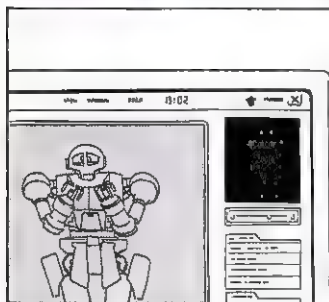
AS I WAS SAYING...

ANY I LOOK LIKE A DORK



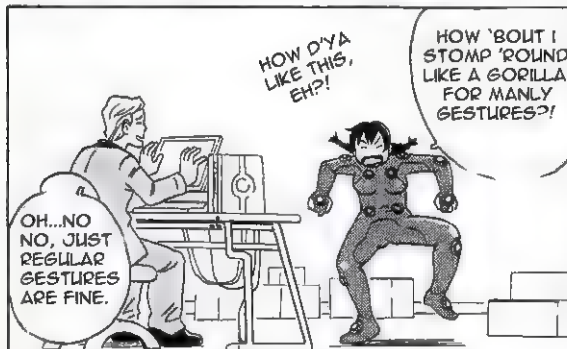
IF WE CAN IMPLEMENT HUMAN-LIKE MOVEMENT AT LEAST TO SOME DEGREE, THE MS'S MOVEMENT SHOULD BE CONSIDERABLY MORE EFFICIENT.

OF COURSE, 100% HUMAN-LIKE MOVEMENT IS NOT YET POSSIBLE IN AN MS BUT,



PLEASE DON'T MOVE AROUND IN SUCH A GIRLY WAY!

OTHERWISE, THE MS DATA WILL LOOK FEMININE AS WELL!



HOW D'YA LIKE THIS, EH?!

HOW 'BOUT I STOMP 'ROUND LIKE A GORILLA FOR MANLY GESTURES?!

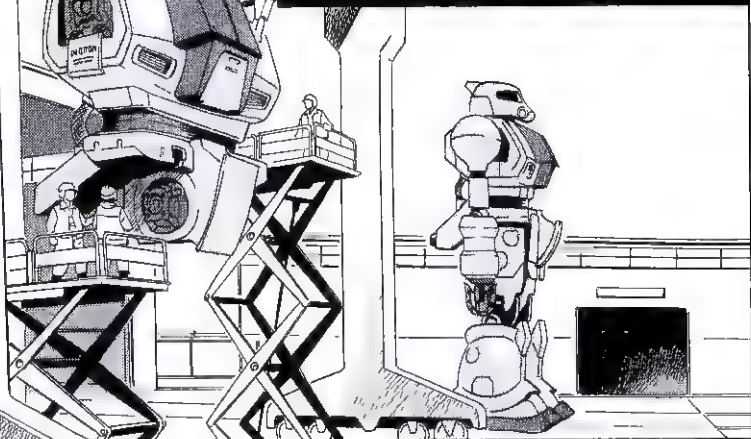
OH...NO NO, JUST REGULAR GESTURES ARE FINE.

F- FINE!

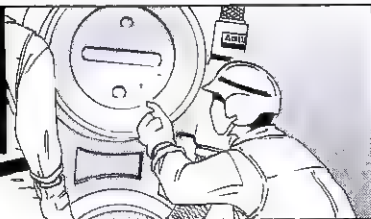
-THE FIELD TEST REVEALED A BUG IN THE MS AMBAC SYSTEM....



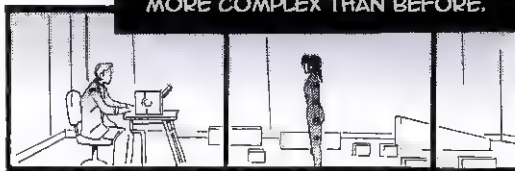
....HOWEVER, LATER INSPECTIONS FOUND THAT THE BUG WAS NOT IN THE PROGRAMMING, BUT WAS ACTUALLY THE LIMB CONNECTIONS NOT COMPLYING WITH LATEST OS...

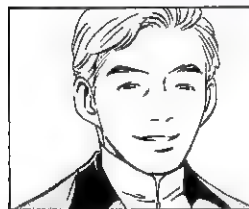
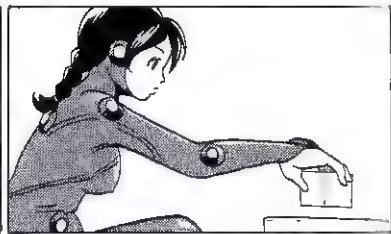
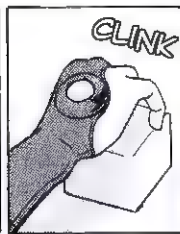
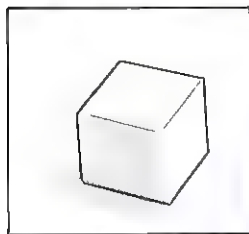
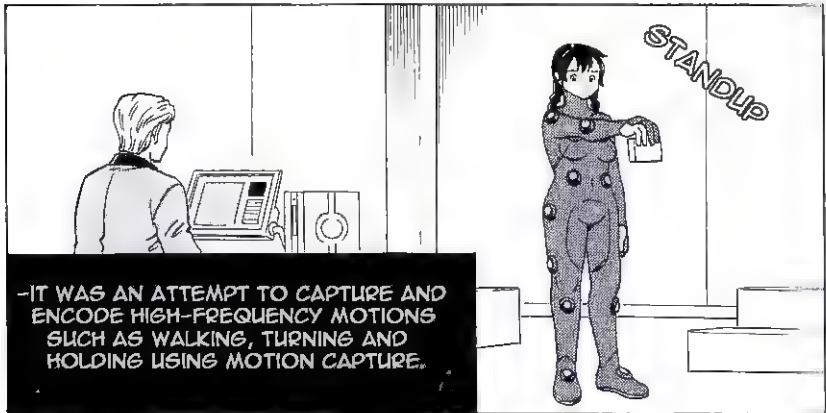


HAVING FOUND THIS OUT, HOSIOKA TOOK APART UNIT 1 AND CONDUCTED A THOROUGH CALIBRATION OF ALL SYSTEMS, SUCH AS THE JOINT MOVEMENT ROTARY CYLINDERS AND LIQUID PULSE SYSTEM.

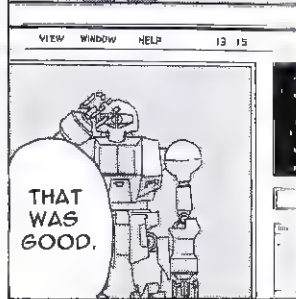
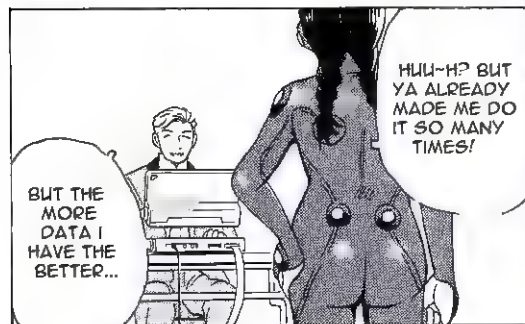


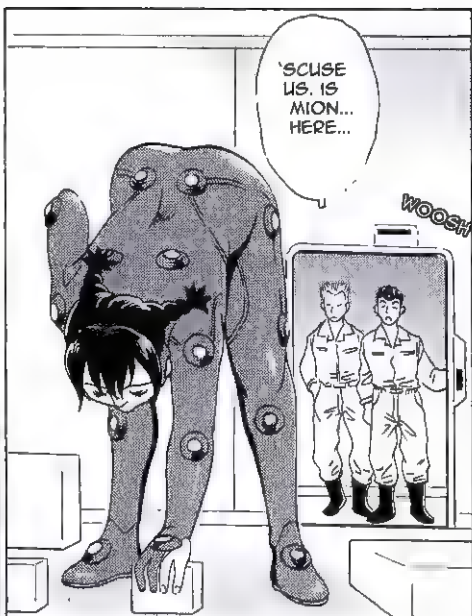
-MEANWHILE, IN A DIFFERENT ROOM, SUPERVISOR THEO AND MION BEGAN WORKING TO IMPROVE THE OPERATION SYSTEM, WHICH HAS BECOME INCREDIBLY MORE COMPLEX THAN BEFORE.

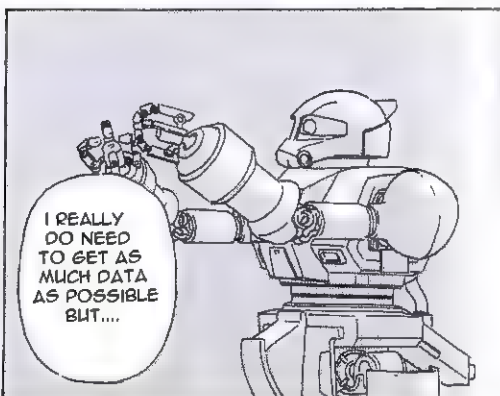
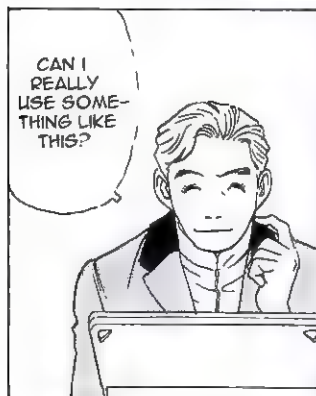
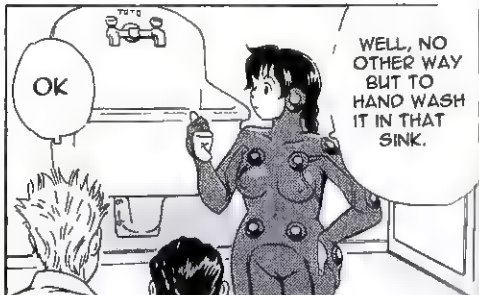




I'D LIKE TO HAVE A POOL OF THE BEST MOVEMENTS FOR LATER, SO I'D LIKE ABOUT 20 MORE PATTERNS.







SO I ASKED
OLD MAN
MIGUEL TO
MODIFY A
MICROCHIP
FOR ME...

YASU?
WHAT'S
UP?

HEY
MISS
MION

PHEEW,
FINALLY
FINISHED

BUT HE'S
FUSSING THAT
HE WON'T
DO IT 'TIL HE
GET SOME
TEA AND
SWEETS.

HE'S THE ONLY
ONE THAT
CAN DO
ANGSTROMH
GRADE
MODIFICA-
TIONS...

FINE
FINE,
I'LL
DO
IT.

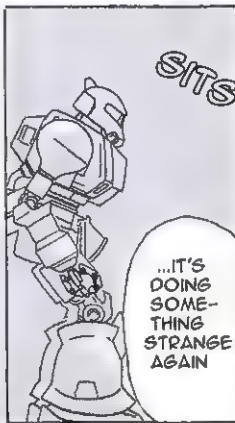
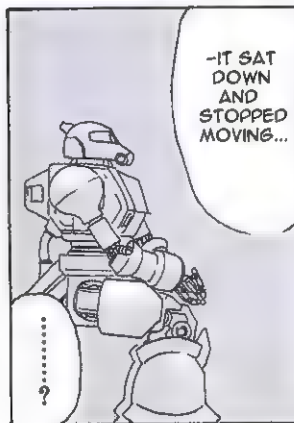
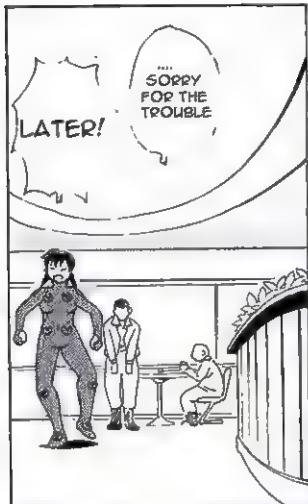
I'M
COUNT-
ING ON
YOU

...SO YA
WANT ME
TO GO GET
EAT?

I CAN'T
USE THIS

...THE
MS IS
MAKING
TEA.

FER CRYIN'
OUT LOUD,
CAN THEY
NOT EVEN
MAKE TEA?
GUYS
THESE
DAYS...



LOOK
AT ME,
I FLUSH
BY JUST
SEEING
THE AG...

...COULD IT BE
SHE FORGOT
THE TRANS-
MITTER ON THE
DATA SUIT
IS STILL ON?

D-...
DON'T
TELL ME
SHE'S IN
THE BATH-
ROOM?!

GLANCE

SLAP

KEEP
GOING
KEEP
GOING!

WHAT'S
SHE
DOING
NOW?!

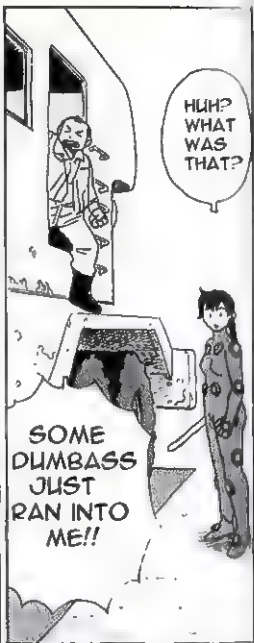
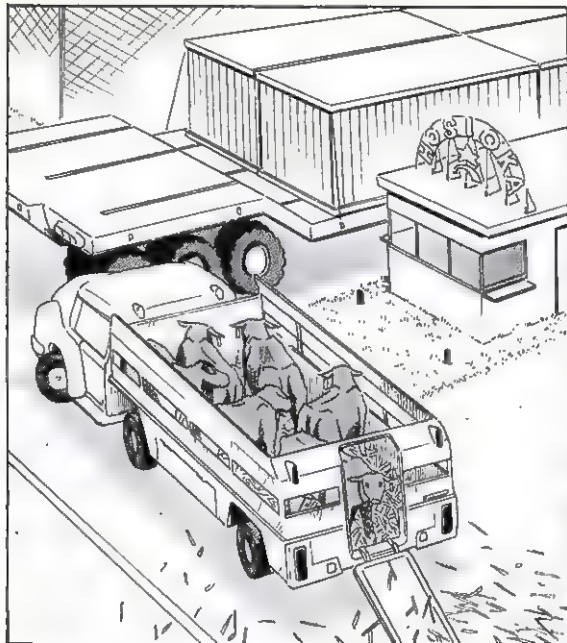
OH... AT
ANY RATE,
SEEMS
SHE
FINISHED
BUT,

AH....

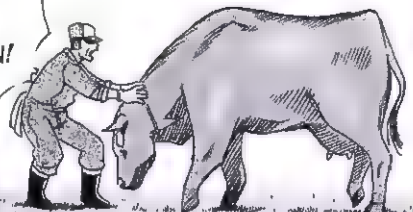
CRASH

NOW SHE'S
HELPING WITH
CARGO. OH
MAN, QUITE
THE BUSY
PERSON
SHE IS.

WHEEL
OUT AND
BACK UP
ONE MORE
TIME!



HEY!
OFF
THE
LAWN!



HE-Y!
THERE'S
ONE NEAR
THE
FACTORY!



WAAH!
WHAT'S
GOING
ON?!

IT'S
COWS
EVERY-
WHERE!!

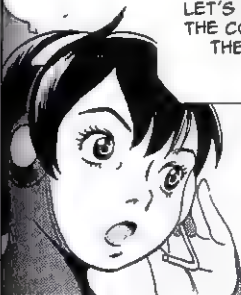


...WAIT.
AT A TIME
LIKE THIS,
WHAT IF
WE USE
THAT...



WHAA?!

MISS MION,
PLEASE
CHANGE INTO
A PILOT SUIT.
LET'S CATCH
THE COWS IN
THE MS!



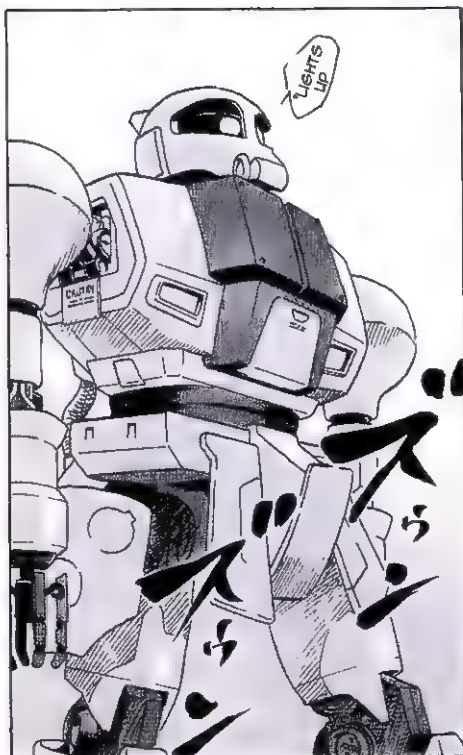
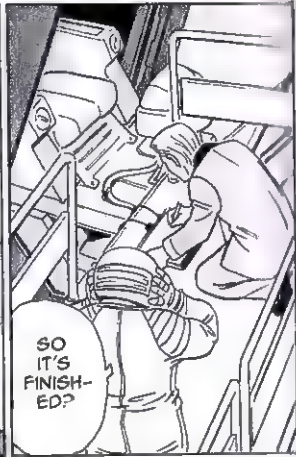
OI,
MION,
IT'S THE
SUPER-
VISOR.

-EH?

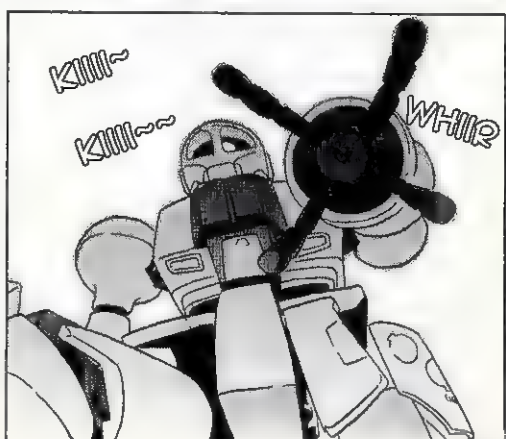
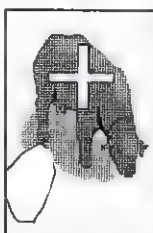
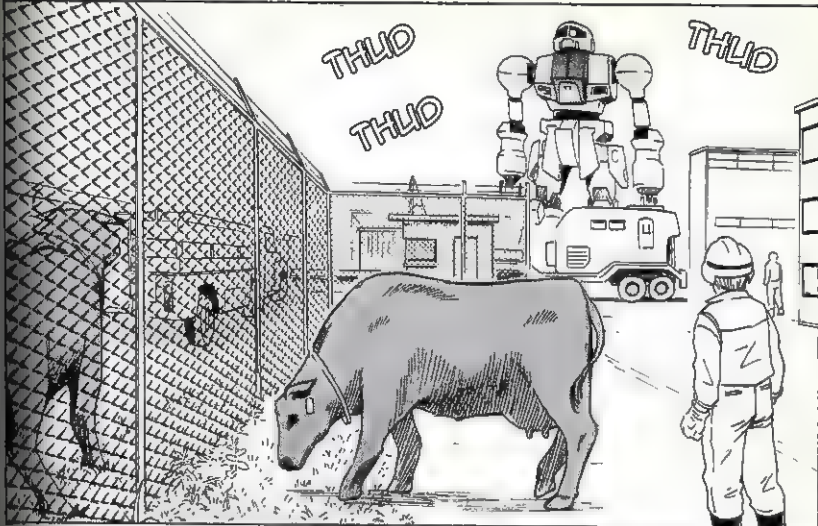


HELLO, IS
THIS THE
PRESIDENT?
CAN I TALK
TO MISS MION
PLEASE?





*STEP STEP



PICKS
UP

MOOP

GET
BACK,
IT'S
UNSAFE

YOU'RE
CRAZY!!
YOU'LL
KILL IT!!

WOAH...HEY!
WHAT'RE
YOU
DOING
WITH THAT
UTILITY
ROBOT?!



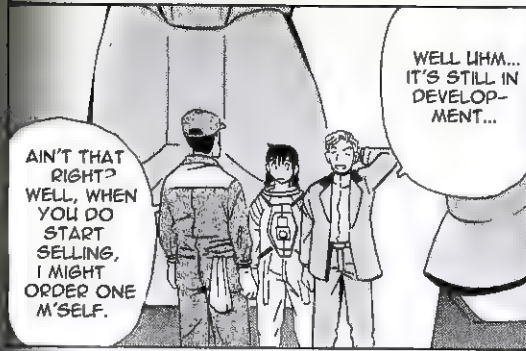
IT'S
MOVEMENTS
ARE
COMPLETELY
SMOOTH.

...AMAZING.
IT'S LIKE A
HUMAN
GENTLY
PICKING UP
AN EGG...

ENTER

NEXT,
LOCK
ONTO
THE
TRUCK...

PLUG
DOWN



AIN'T THAT RIGHT?
WELL, WHEN YOU DO
START SELLING,
I MIGHT ORDER ONE
M'SELF.

WELL UHM...
IT'S STILL IN DEVELOP-
MENT...



I GOTTA SAY,
Y'ALL SURE GOT
ME OUT OF A
PICKLE...AN'
THAT'S QUITE
THE WORKER
ROBOT YA GOT
THERE!



HEY...
ISN'T THE
ME DEVELOP-
MENT
SUPPOSED
TO BE A
SECRET?

YEAH,
YOU'RE WELC-
OME.

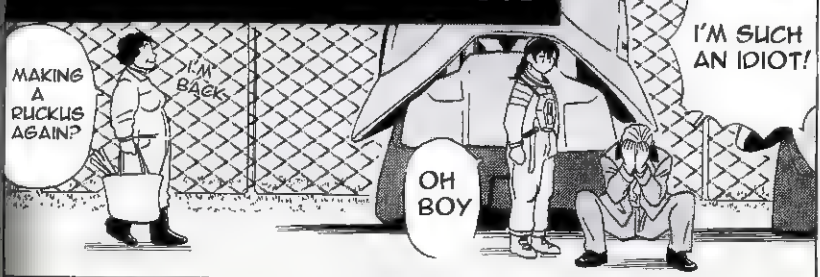


ANYWAY
THANKS
A
BLUNCH.



OH...

AFTER ENCODING THE MS "ROUTINE WORK," THE
MANIPULATORS BECAME MORE HUMAN-LIKE, ENABLING
ASSEMBLY AND DISASSEMBLY OF LARGE OBJECTS.
IT BECAME USEFUL FOR A PLETHORA OF NEW TASKS
BUT.... THAT IS A STORY FOR LATER.



MAKING
A
RUCKUS
AGAIN?

I'M
BACK

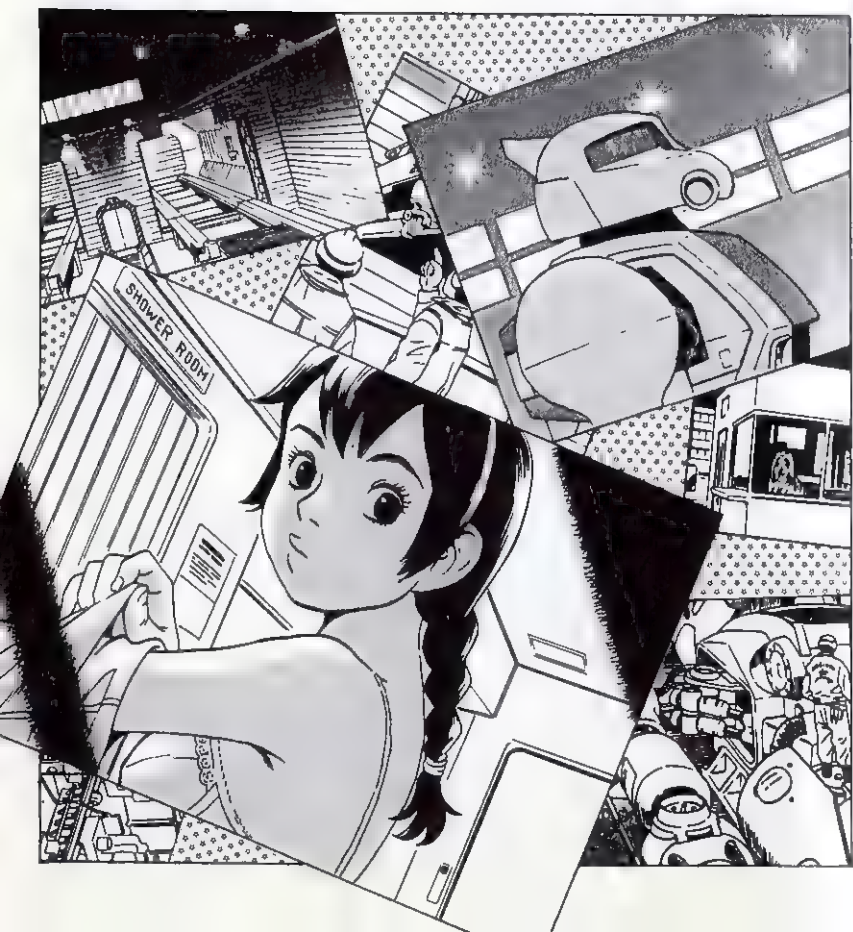
OH
BOY

I'M SUCH
AN IDIOT!





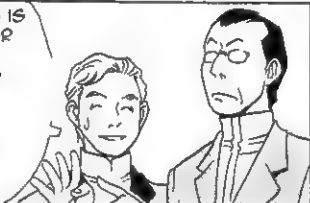
DISCLOSURE!
**Project.07 : WHAT IS HOSIOKA'S
SECRET?**



-THAT DAY, HOSIOKA WAS WORKING SINCE MORNING TO PREPARE THE PROTOTYPE UNITS FOR DELIVERY. YES, THOUGH DELIVERY WAS GREATLY DELAYED, THE UNITS WERE FINALLY FINISHED.



OH NO NO.... THIS IS A PROTOTYPE FOR UNIT 4, IT'S OBJECTIVE WAS INDEPENDANT MOVEMENT BY MEANS OF A THERMONUCLEAR REACTOR...



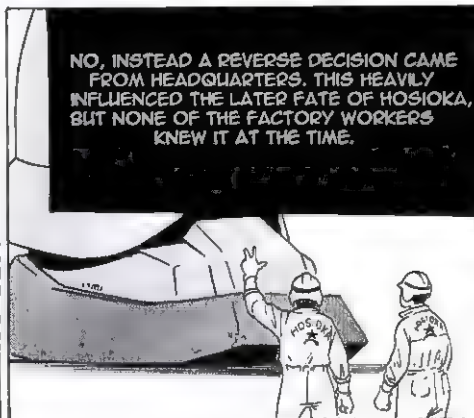
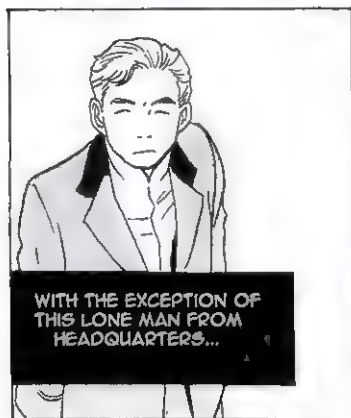
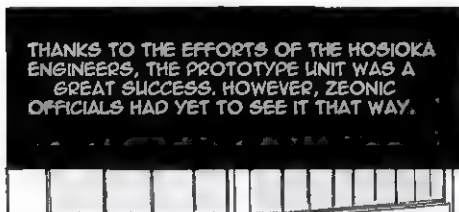
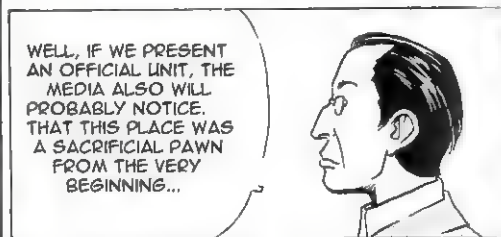
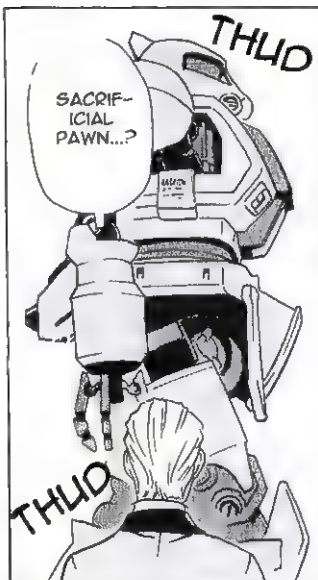
HMPH... SO THIS IS THE RUMORED UNIT 4



'LIGHTS UP

EITHER WAY, I HEAR IT TOOK A GREAT DEAL OF TIME AND LABOR.

IN OTHER WORDS, YOU WISH YOU YOU COULD GUARANTEE IT'S SUCCESS.



UHM...
WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN?

HOSIOKA
IS...BEING
LET GO...?

IN
OTHER
WORDS

ZEONIC.CO
2ND
MEETINGROOM

EXACTLY
WHAT
YOU
THINK IT
MEANS.

AFTER COMPLETION
OF THE PROTOTYPE,
THEY'RE BEING
COMPLETELY CUT
FROM THE MS
DEVELOPMENT
PROJECT, AND
LET GO AS A
SUBCONTRACTOR.

DON'T YOU
KNOW HOW BIG
AN UPROAR
THESE SMALL
PROBLEMS OF
YOURS CAUSED?

SMALL
PROBLEMS
.....?
FUUU

I DON'T
CONSENT TO
THIS! THEY
MIGHT HAVE
SOME SMALL
PROBLEMS
BUT THEY ARE
STILL A GOOD
FACTORY.

W-WAIT
A
MINUTE.

CONTAINED IS
AN UNDERCOVER
SCOOP BY FREE
JOURNALISTS ABOUT
A NEW MODEL UTILITY
UNIT BEING BUILT BY
A CERTAIN FACTORY
FOR A CERTAIN
COMPANY.

CLATTER

-THESE
MICROCHIPS
WERE
HANDLED
DOWN FROM
THE TOP
YESTERDAY.



YES! IT'S
EXACTLY
WHAT YOU
THINK!
FEAST
YOUR
EYES!!

BLIP
BLIP



IT SEEMS
ZEONIC'S
PRESIDENT
WAS FORCED
TO BUY THESE
FOR
100,000,000
CREDITS....

NOTE: ONLY A NUMBER WAS GIVEN,
CURRENCY WASN'T ACTUALLY NAMED



UH...
COULD
IT BE...

THAT SAID, CAN
YOU EVEN
IMAGINE
WHAT THE
CONTENTS ARE,
MR. THEO
PAZHITONOV?

INSERT



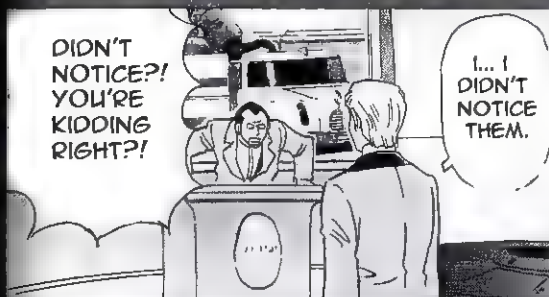


OUR COMPANY'S
SECRETLY DEVELOPED MS BEING
THIS EASILY
EXPOSED TO THE
MEDIA IS DEFINITELY
A SMALL PROBLEM,
MR. PAZHITONOV!!

WHAT'S
MORE IS
THAT IT'S
VISIBLE TO
THE PUBLIC
EYE!!



THEY POSED AS
BENTOU DELIVERY
BOYS AND CAME
AND WENT
FREQUENTLY!



DIDN'T
NOTICE?!
YOU'RE
KIDDING
RIGHT?!

I... I
DIDN'T
NOTICE
THEM.



AH...
THE TIME
WITH THE
COWS

BUT HOW
WERE
THEY ABLE
TO GET IN?



THE PROJECT
DEMANDS
ABSOLUTE
SECURITY BUT
THERE'S NO
SECURITY OR
EVEN A
GUARD!

THERE IS
NO ONE
BUT A
SINGLE
WATCH
DOG!




JUST
LOOK
AT
THIS!

KA-CHAK

THERE IS
EVEN MORE
ON THE
OTHER
CHIPS.



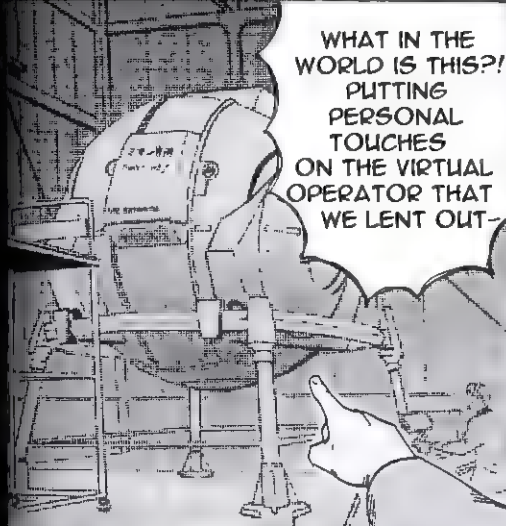
IT'S NOT
EVEN A
REAL
WATCH
DOG...



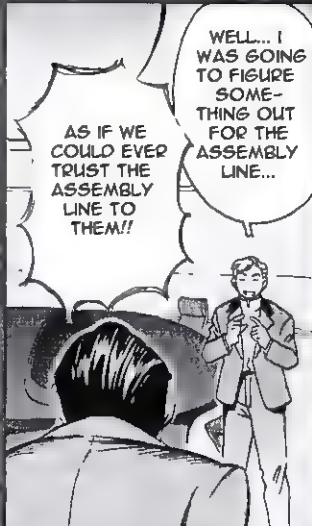
NOT HAVING
COMMUNICATION
EQUIPMENT WHEN
INSTALLING SOME-
THING AS SENSITIVE
AS THERMONUCLEAR
REACTORS, DOES
IT NOT FLY IN THE
FACE OF ALL LOGIC?!

THERE WASN'T ANY
COMMUNICATION
EQUIPMENT IN THE
EXPANDED RADIATION
CONTAINMENT
WORK AREA OF ALL
PLACES! WHAT'S
WORSE, THEY
COMMUNICATED BY
VERBAL MESSAGE?!

UH...YES,
THAT'S
CORRECT

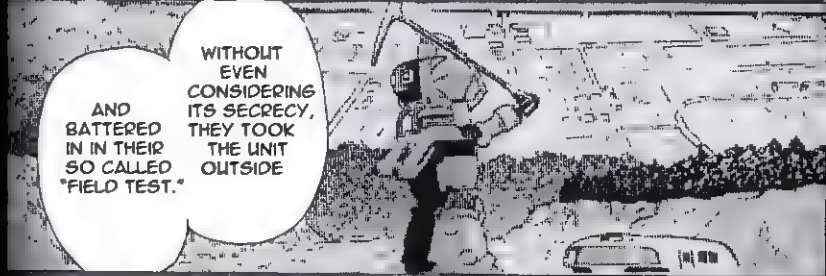


WHAT IN THE
WORLD IS THIS?!
PUTTING
PERSONAL
TOUCHES
ON THE VIRTUAL
OPERATOR THAT
WE LENT OUT-



AS IF WE
COULD EVER
TRUST THE
ASSEMBLY
LINE TO
THEM!!

WELL... I
WAS GOING
TO FIGURE
SOME-
THING OUT
FOR THE
ASSEMBLY
LINE...

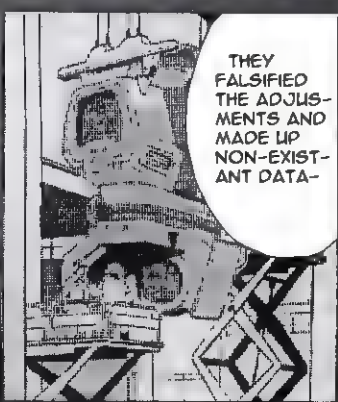


AND
BATTERED
IN IN THEIR
SO CALLED
"FIELD TEST."

WITHOUT
EVEN
CONSIDERING
ITS SECRECY,
THEY TOOK
THE UNIT
OUTSIDE



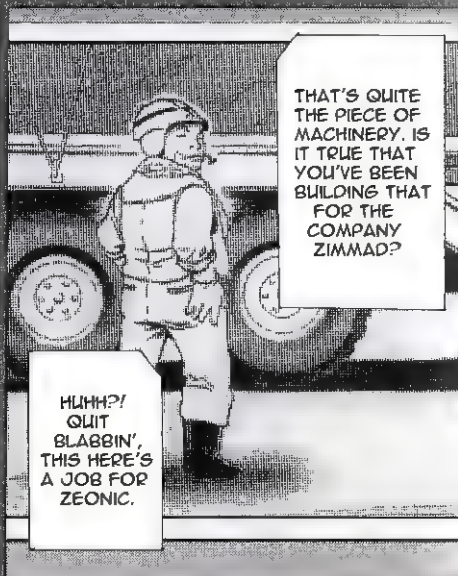
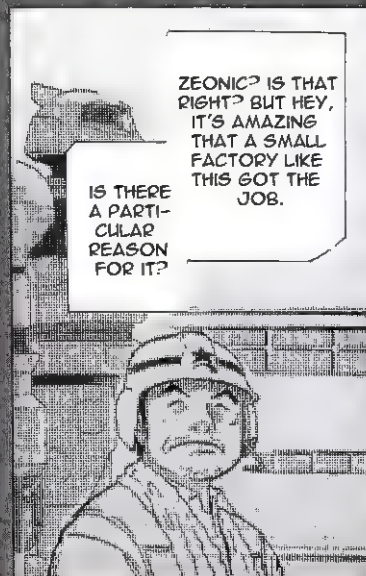
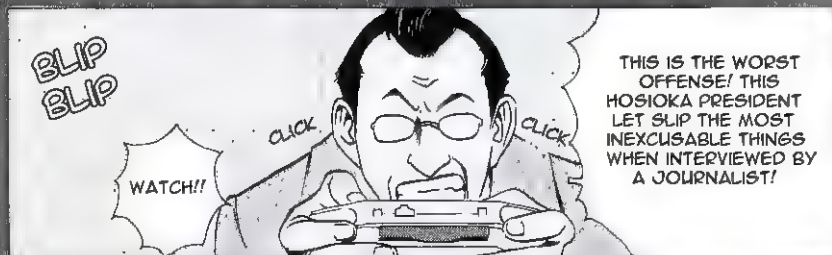
BUYING AND
EATING ILLEGAL
IMPORT SNACKS
IN PLAIN SIGHT.



THEY
FALSIFIED
THE ADJUST-
MENTS AND
MADE UP
NON-EXIST-
ANT DATA-



ARBITRARILY
DRAWING
ON THEIR
COMPANY
LOGO!



AAH...

THIS MAN
JUST
CAN'T
KEEPS
THINGS
SECRET...

OH...A
THERMO-
NUCLEAR
REACTOR
YOU
SAY...

WHAT? THE LOT
AT ZEONIC
CHICKENED OUT FROM
THIS MS'S THERMO-
NUCLEAR REACTOR
AND GAVE THE JOB
TO US.

I SEE!
THE
REACTOR
CORES
ARE
FROM
ZAS.

STUPID
QUESTION.
REACTOR CORES
MADE BY ZAS
CO. ARE SHIELDED
BY MINOVSKY
PARTICLES, SO
THERE'S NO
RADIATION.

BESIDES,
I MADE IT
IN MY
OWN
FACTORY,
'F COURSE
IT'S SAFE!

BUT IS A
HUMANOID
NUCLEAR
WORKER
ROBOT
SAFE?

HUHH?

THE MAKERS DON'T
UNDERSTAND THAT!
THEY THINK BY SLAPPING
THEIR KEYBOARDS AN'
DRAWING SCRIBBLES
THEY CAN MAKE
MACHINERY. THEY DON'T
GIVE US ENGINEERS
ENOUGH CREDIT,
I TELL YA!

LIKE WE
SAY BACK
HOME,
"CREATE A
BUDDHA
WITHOUT
PUTTING IN
A SOUL."

INFERIOR
PRODUCTS ARE
ALMOST ALWAYS
'CUZ OF DESIGN
FLAWS OR
SKIMPING
DURING MASS
PRODUCTION!

ANSWER
ME,
THEO
PAZHIT-
ONOV!!

THAT SAID, DO YOU
WANT TO HAVE TIES
WITH A BLOCKHEAD
COMPANY PRESIDENT
THAT CAN'T KEEP
HIS MOUTH SHUT?!

- AND
HE SAID
PLENTY
MORE
BUT...

AT ANY RATE,
THE DECISION
TO LET THEM
GO CAME FROM
ABOVE! GET
THAT THROUGH
YOUR HEAD!

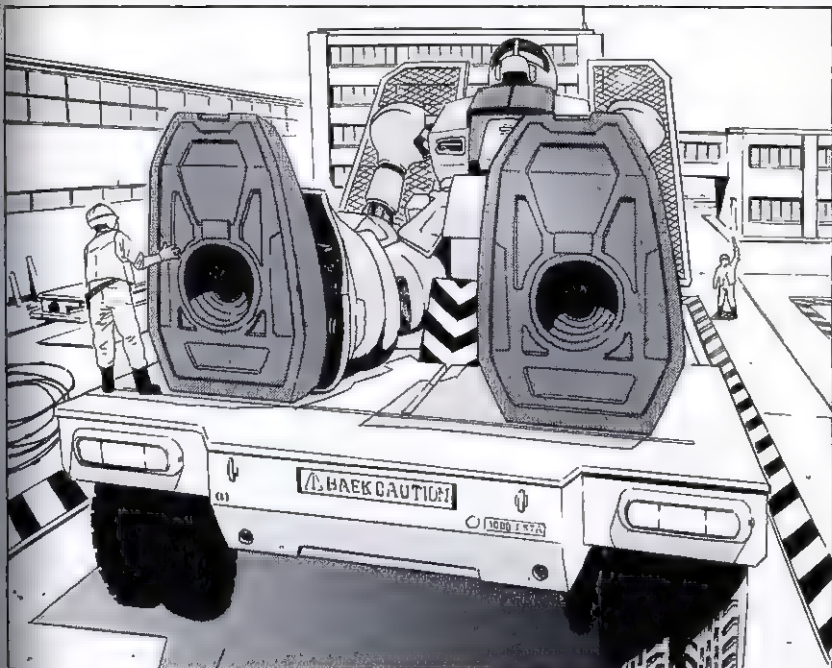
WELL...
I, UHM...

YES....

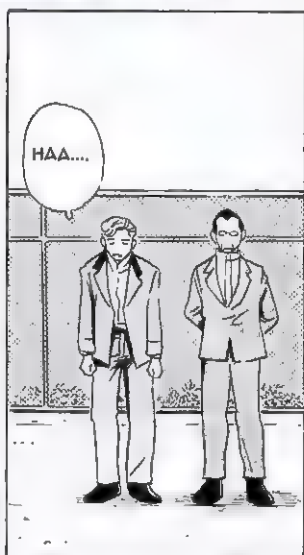
WOOSH

ALSO, DEVELOPMENT
CHIEF ELLIOT WILL
DECIDE YOUR NEW
COURSE OF ACTION.
BE READY WHEN
YOUR TRANSFER
ORDERS COME IN
THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

THAT
IS ALL.



OH...SO THIS IS
THE PROTOTYPE
UNIT. IT LOOKS
POLISHED,
DOESN'T IT?



HAA....



MR.
ELLIOT

WHY THE
LONG FACE,
THEO? DON'T
TELL ME
YOU HAVEN'T
TOLD THEM
YET...



IF SOMEONE
CAPABLE LIKE
YOU DISSAPP-
EARED, I'D BE
IN A TOUGH
SPOT.

THERE
AREN'T
ENOUGH
TALENTED
PEOPLE
IN THIS
COUNTRY.



NO. I WAS
PLANNING ON
TELLING THEM
TODAY AFTER
THE DELIVERY
IS FINISHED.

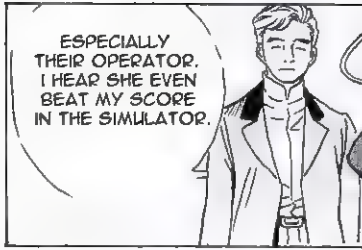


I'M...
WITHOUT
REPRI-
MAND?

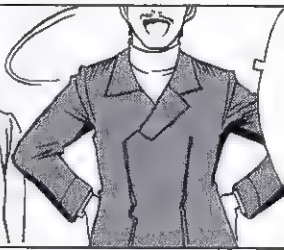


UH...
HQ?

I SEE...BY THE
WAY, TODAY IT
WAS DECIDED
THAT YOU WILL
SUPERVISE THE
HQ FACTORY.



ESPECIALLY
THEIR OPERATOR.
I HEAR SHE EVEN
BEAT MY SCORE
IN THE SIMULATOR.

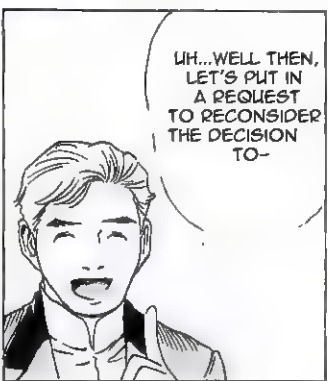


TO TELL YOU THE
TRUTH, THIS BUNCH
THAT BUILT OUR MS
IN THEIR CRUDE
FACTORY, I DON'T
EVEN WANT THEM
TO BE LET GO.



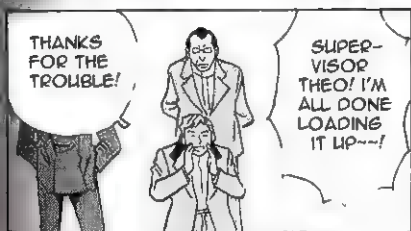
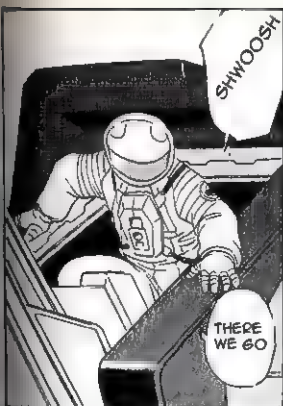
AH, NO, I
UNDERSTAND THAT.
WHAT I MEANT WAS.....
HE BLOWS UP AT
JUST A WHISPER OF
IT, DOESN'T HE, THEO?

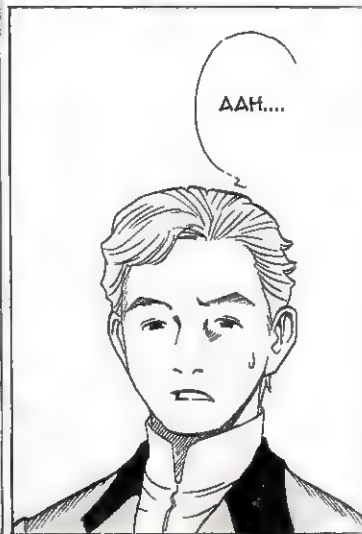
HEY! YOU
TWO ALREADY
KNOW THAT
DECISION
CAME FROM
UP TOP!!

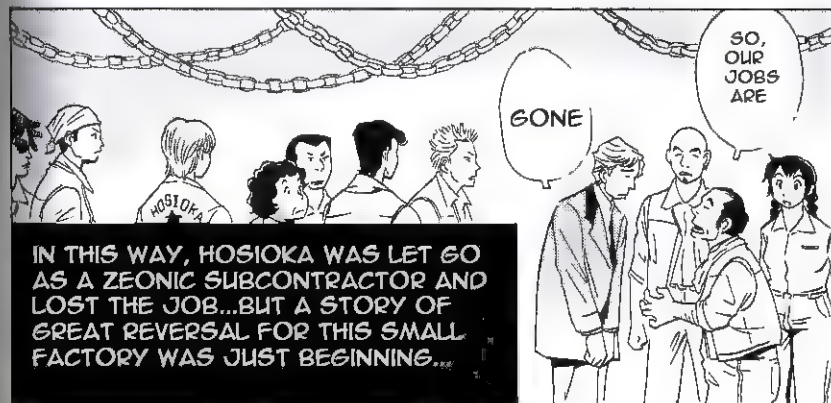


UH...WELL THEN,
LET'S PUT IN
A REQUEST
TO RECONSIDER
THE DECISION
TO-

MR.
ELLIOT





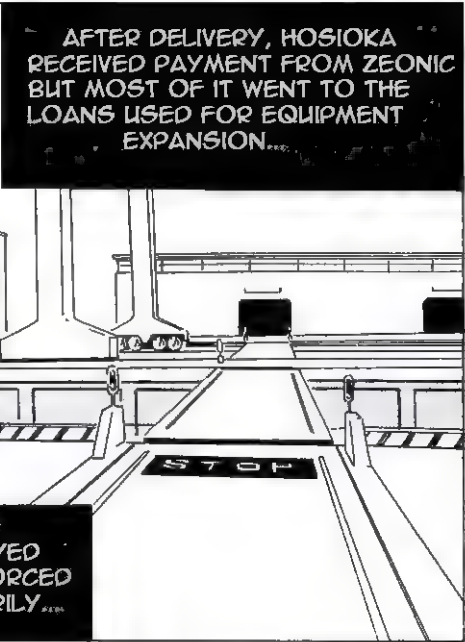


Project.08 : GRIEF! GENZABUROU
THE RUNAWAY

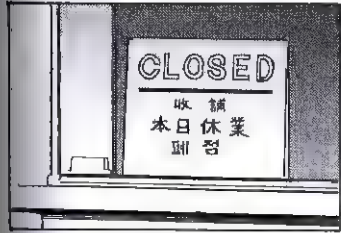




AFTER DELIVERY, HOSIOKA
RECEIVED PAYMENT FROM ZEONIC
BUT MOST OF IT WENT TO THE
LOANS USED FOR EQUIPMENT
EXPANSION.



BECAUSE OF THAT, THE
WORKERS' PAY WAS DELAYED
AND THE FACTORY WAS FORCED
TO SHUT DOWN TEMPORARILY.

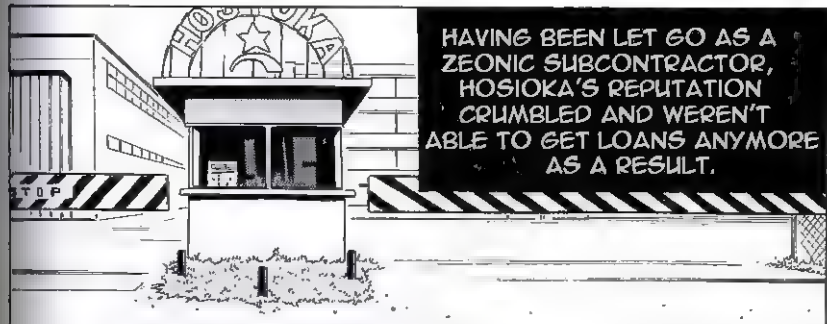


CLOSED

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本日休業
閉 鎖



WIND
BLOWS



HAVING BEEN LET GO AS A
ZEONIC SUBCONTRACTOR,
HOSIOKA'S REPUTATION
CRUMBLING AND WEREN'T
ABLE TO GET LOANS ANYMORE
AS A RESULT.

HELL IF
I MAKE
ANOTHER
MS...
*HICC...

THE COMPANY
PRESIDENT WAS SULKING...

Sip
Sip

DAMN
ASS-
HOLES...

DRIBBLE
DRIBBLE

MEANWHILE AT THE ZEONIC HQ FACTORY,
WORK BEGAN ON A PRODUCTION MODEL
ON TOP OF HOSIOKA'S BASE MODEL IN
PREPARATION FOR A PRESS RELEASE.

AH,
YES

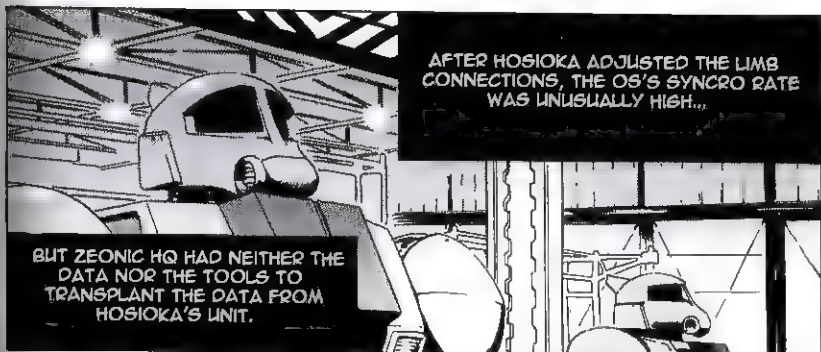
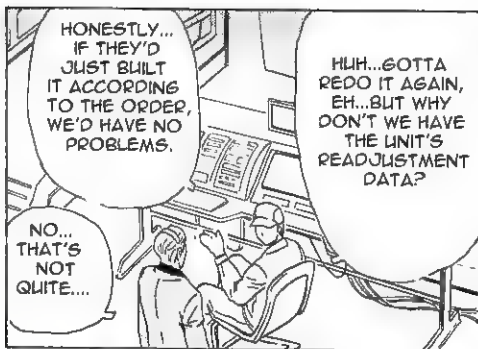
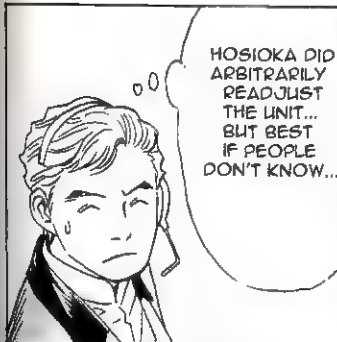
SUPER-
VISOR
THEO
PLEASE!

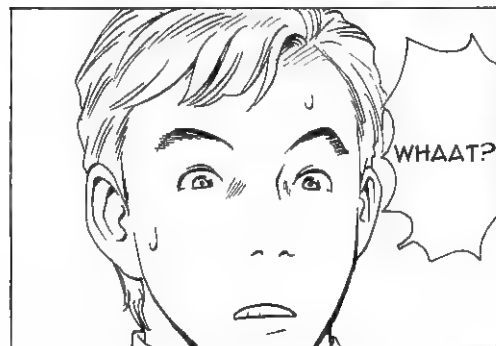
HOWEVER, THERE WAS A
PROBLEM.....

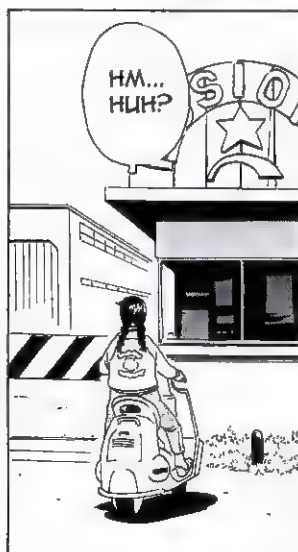
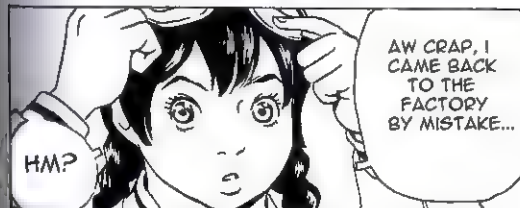
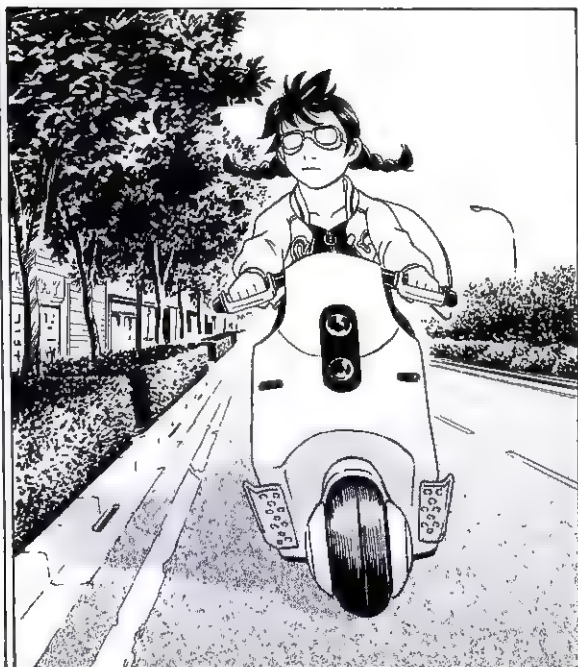
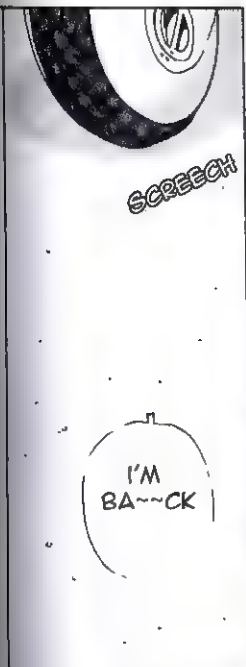
HOW
IS IT
THIS
TIME?

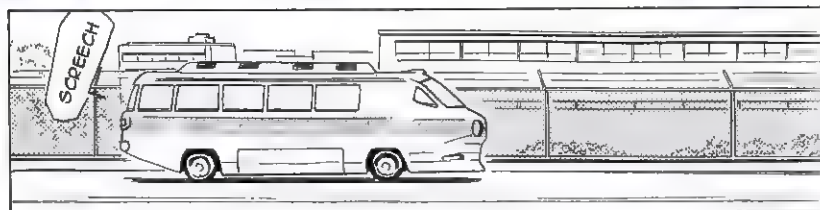
NO....THE
CYLINDERS
ARE STILL
OVER-
BURDENED.

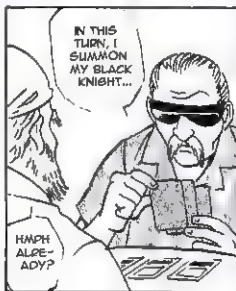
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VISOR
THEO!













SUPERVISOR THEO!



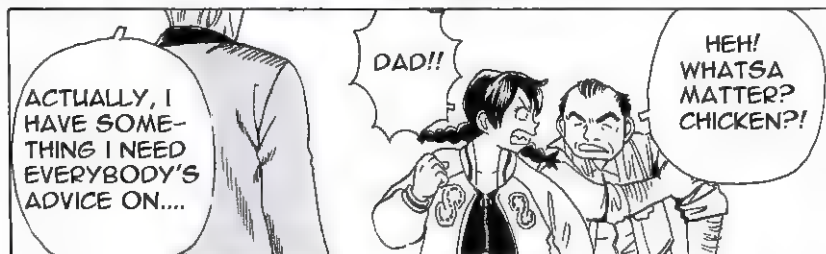
OH I'LL DO IT! YOU'LL BE PICKIN' UP YUP TEETH!

OH YA SAID IT NOW! GO ON, TRY LANDING ONE!

THERE THERE, BOTH OF YOU, CALM DOWN...



DON'T GET IN MY WAY! JUST ONE PUNCH IS ENOUGH TO END HIS DRUNKEN STU...POR....



ACTUALLY, I HAVE SOMETHING I NEED EVERYBODY'S ADVICE ON....

DAD!!

HEH! WHATSA MATTER? CHICKEN?!



OH, BUT FIRST, I WANT YOU TO LOOK AT THIS MS BLUEPRINT...

IS THAT ALRIGHT?



ADVICE?



UHH, SO AFTER
WE CONTINUED
DEVELOPMENT
AT THE ZEONIC HQ
FACTORY, THIS
IS WHAT THE PRESS
RELEASE PROTO-
TYPE MS-04
LOOKS LIKE.

WOAAH!



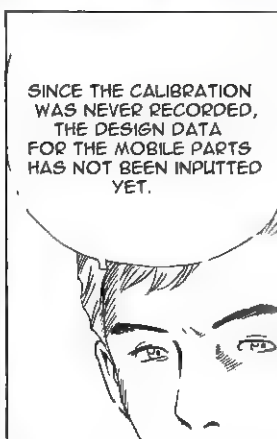
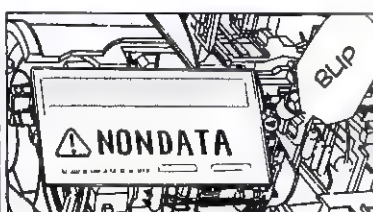
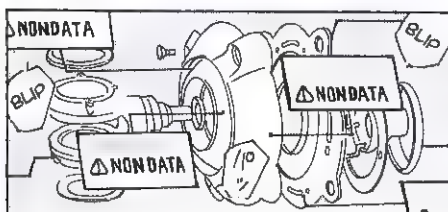
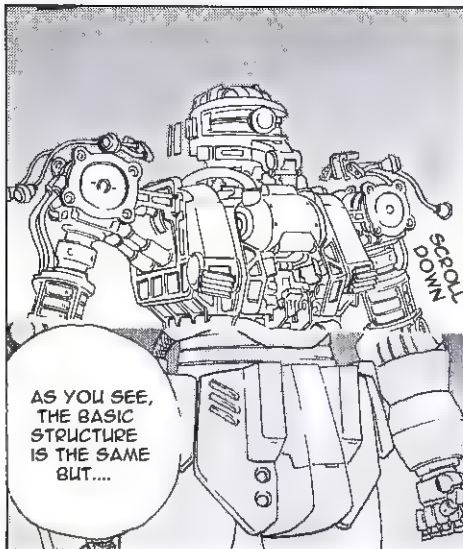
M.....
HMPH...



HEY HEY! HAS
THE COCKPIT
CHANGED?
LEMME SEE!

THE
WAIST
AND
SHOULDERS
HAS GOT
ARMOR.

NI~~CE, THE
MANIPUL-
ATOR NOW
HAS 5
FINGERS.

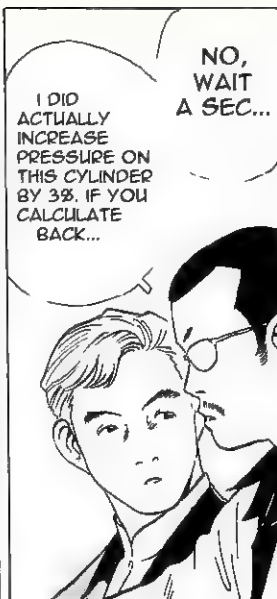




SO I ADD 3%
TO THE ORIGINAL
DATA AND
CRUNCH THE
NUMBERS OUT...



AH...
REALLY?



NO,
WAIT
A SEC...

I DID
ACTUALLY
INCREASE
PRESSURE ON
THIS CYLINDER
BY 3%. IF YOU
CALCULATE
BACK...



YES,
IT
WORKED!

ACCEPTED

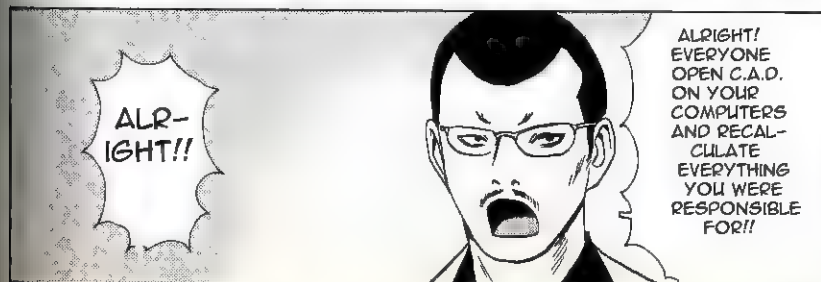


I STILL
REMEMBER
THE PROP-
ORTIONING
VALUES.

AND I
SET THE
EPI SUPPLY
TO 8.4.

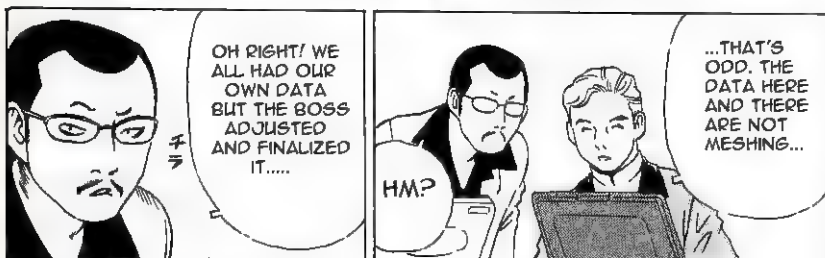
UH...
SO...

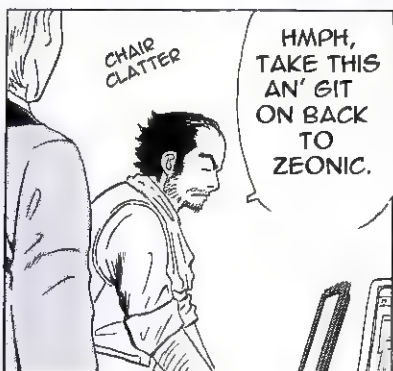
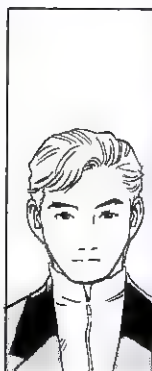
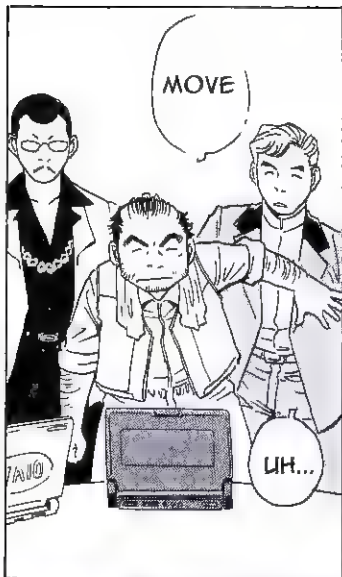
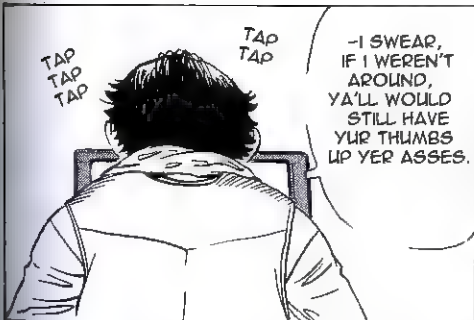
THAT'S RIGHT,
I ALSO
CHANGED THE
TORQUE
CONVERTER
RATIO FROM
1.000 TO 1.515

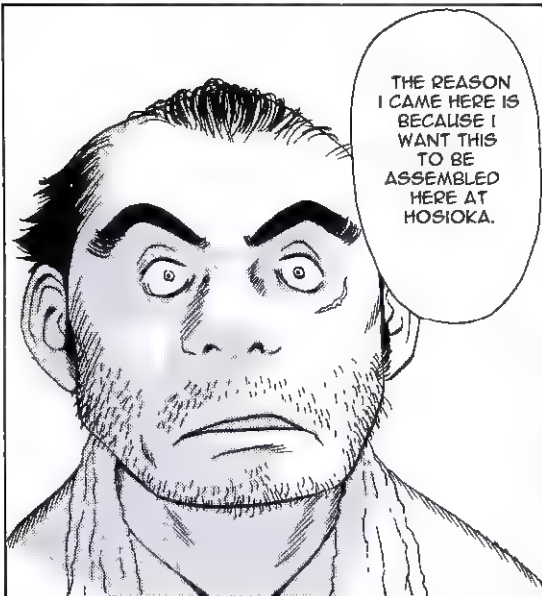


ALR-
IGHT!!

ALRIGHT!
EVERYONE
OPEN C.A.D.
ON YOUR
COMPUTERS
AND RECAL-
CULATE
EVERYTHING
YOU WERE
RESPONSIBLE
FOR!!







THE REASON
I CAME HERE IS
BECAUSE I
WANT THIS
TO BE
ASSEMBLED
HERE AT
HOSIOKA.



NO, I
WON'T
ACCEPT
THAT.

WHADJA
SAY?!



THOUGH
IT WAS MY
BOSS' IDEA

...IF I'M
CAUGHT,
IT'LL BE
MY HEAD.

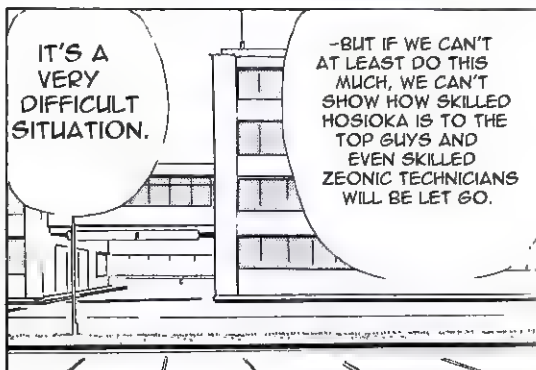


CHANNEL
THEM...
CAN YOU
EVEN DO
THAT?

FOR PARTS AND
MATERIALS, I'LL
WRITE OFF
SURPLUS
MATERIALS AS
WASTE AND
CHANNEL THEM
HERE.



SO
WE'RE
GONNA
BUILD
ANOTHER
MS?



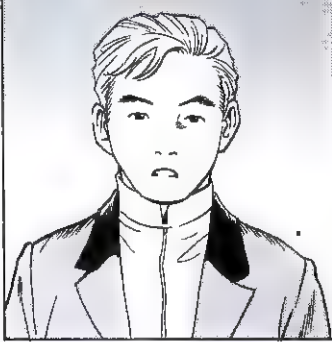
IT'S A
VERY
DIFFICULT
SITUATION.

-BUT IF WE CAN'T
AT LEAST DO THIS
MUCH, WE CAN'T
SHOW HOW SKILLED
HOSIOKA IS TO THE
TOP GUYS AND
EVEN SKILLED
ZEONIC TECHNICIANS
WILL BE LET GO.

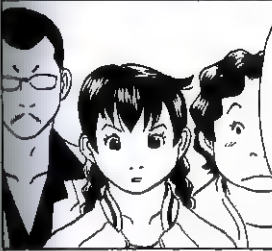


THE FIRST
CONDI-
TION,
MAKE IT
IN TIME
FOR THAT.


IN THREE MONTHS,
DURING OUR COMPANY
PRESENTATION OF
THE MS, AS PART
OF THE MS DEMO,
WE ARE THINKING OF
STAGING A
COMPETITION.



YES..
HOWEVER,
THERE ARE
TWO STRICT
CONDI-
TIONS.



THE SECOND,
WIN AGAINST
OUR UNIT AND
SHOW THE
QUALITY OF
YOUR SKILLS.



WHAT DO
YOU THINK?
WILL YOU
DO IT?

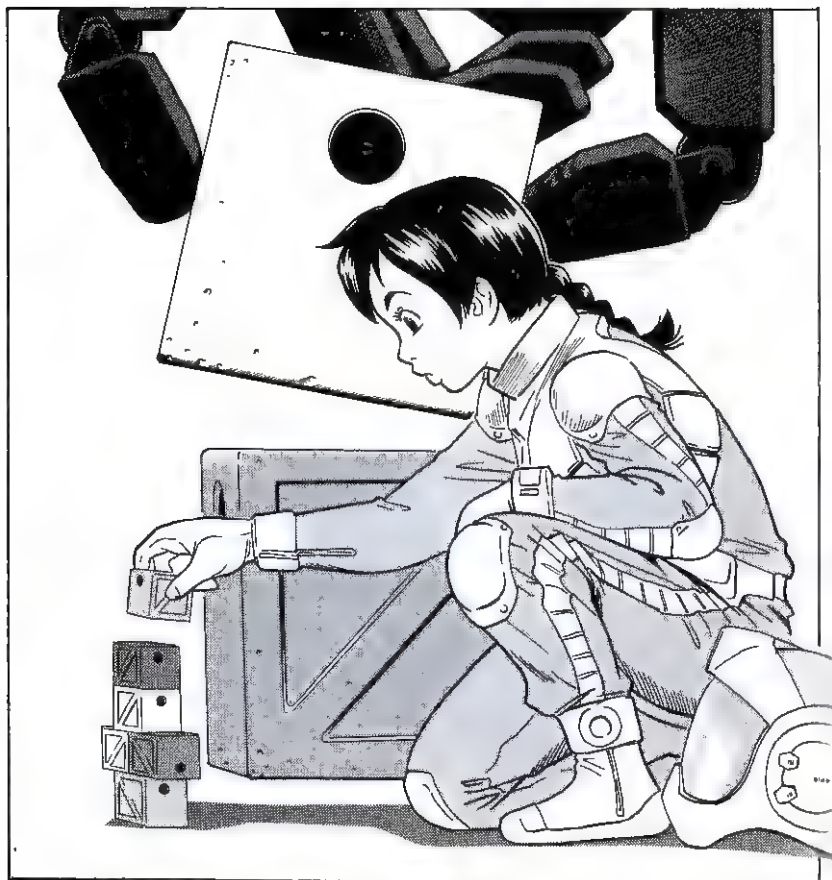


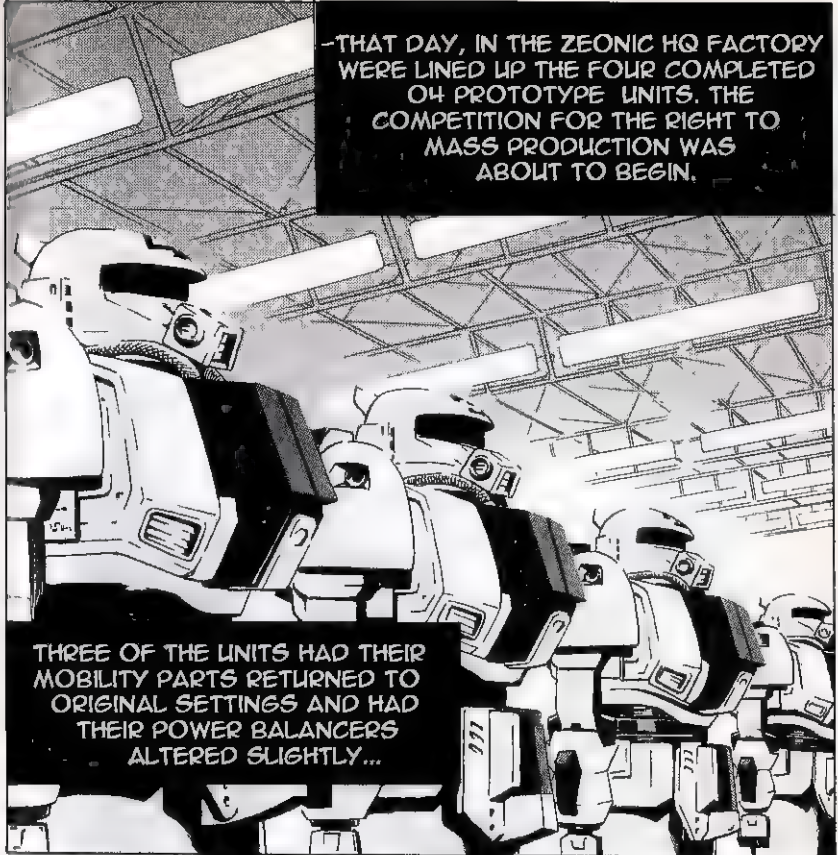
YEAH!!

WE'LL DON'T
THAT SOUND
LIKE FUN! YOU
BET YUR ASS,
WE'LL DO IT!

→THIS BEGAN THE CHALLENGE ON
WHICH WAS STAKED HOSIOKA'S
COMEBACK.

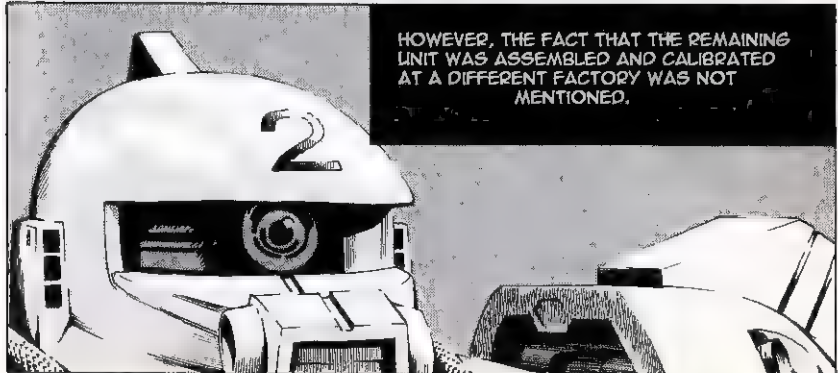
Project.09 : CLIMAX!
COMPETITION





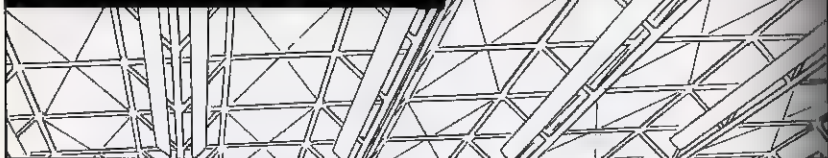
-THAT DAY, IN THE ZEONIC HQ FACTORY
WERE LINED UP THE FOUR COMPLETED
04 PROTOTYPE UNITS. THE
COMPETITION FOR THE RIGHT TO
MASS PRODUCTION WAS
ABOUT TO BEGIN.

THREE OF THE UNITS HAD THEIR
MOBILITY PARTS RETURNED TO
ORIGINAL SETTINGS AND HAD
THEIR POWER BALANCERS
ALTERED SLIGHTLY...



HOWEVER, THE FACT THAT THE REMAINING
UNIT WAS ASSEMBLED AND CALIBRATED
AT A DIFFERENT FACTORY WAS NOT
MENTIONED.

THIS COMPETITION DOUBLY
SERVED AS AN INTER-COMPANY
PRESENTATION.
THE ENTIRE EVENT WAS PRIVATE.



PRESENT WERE REPRESENT-
ATIVES FROM COMPANIES
THAT COOPERATED WITH
COMMISSION PARTS AND
SUCH.

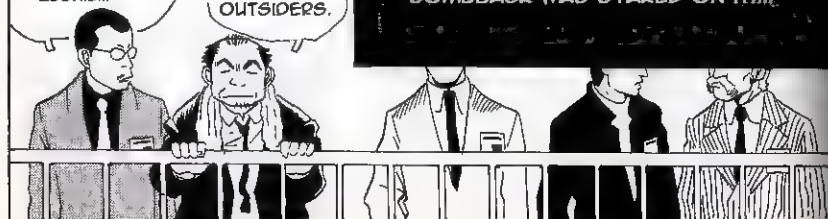
EVEN AN ARMY OFFICIAL
SEEKING MILITARY MATTERS
ATTENDED.



NO WAY 'ROUND
IT BOSS-THE
PARTS WE MADE
OUR UNIT FROM
WERE PURL-
OINED FROM
ZEONIC...

THE
BASTARDS
AT ZEONIC
ARE TREATIN'
US LIKE
OUTSIDERS.

-BUT MOST PEOPLE WERE UNAWARE
ABOUT UNIT 2'S TRUE INTENTIONS, THAT
IS WAS BUILT BY HOSIOKA AND THEIR
COMEBACK WAS STAKED ON IT....

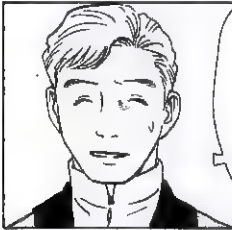




HUH...SO
THIS IS
THE NEW
PILOT
SUIT, EH....

MUCH
BETTER
THAN THE
LAST ONE.

ALSO, NOBODY KNEW THAT
MION WAS THE PILOT...



WELL, THAT'S BECAUSE
YOU SCORED HIGHEST
IN THE SIMULATOR.
AND THERE AREN'T MANY
IN THE DEVELOPMENT
BRANCH THAT HAVE
PILOTED THE REAL THING...



WELL, HANGIN'
IN THERE...BUT
WE'RE REALLY
LUCKY THE
HIGHER UPS
LET ME PILOT
UNIT 2.

DOING
ALRIGHT
MISS
MION?



I KNOW
THAT!
STOP
PRES-
SURING
ME!!

BUT IF YOU
LOSE THIS
COMPETITION,
EVERYTHING
WILL BE FOR
NOTHING. YOU
HAVE TO MAKE
IT TO THE
VERY END.



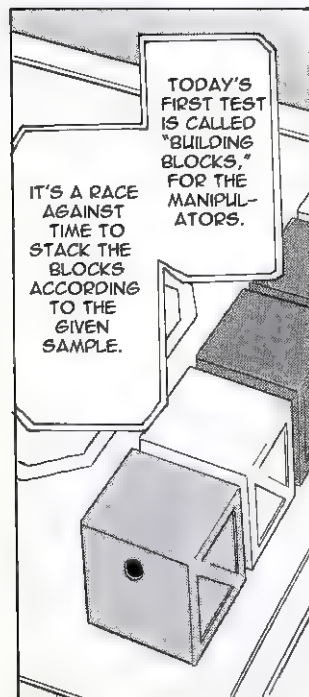
ALRIGHT!
NOTHIN' TO
DO NOW BUT
GIVE IT MY
BEST!

*BUZZER

ALL
OPERATORS,
PREPAR-
ATIONS HAVE
FINISHED.
PLEASE
BOARD
YOUR UNITS.



I'M
COUNTING
ON YOU...



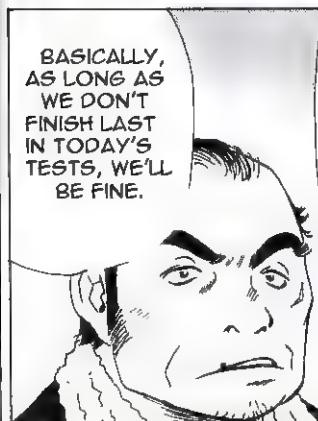
TODAY'S
FIRST TEST
IS CALLED
"BUILDING
BLOCKS,"
FOR THE MANIPUL-
ATORS.

IT'S A RACE
AGAINST
TIME TO
STACK THE
BLOCKS
ACCORDING
TO THE
GIVEN
SAMPLE.



YA
HEARD
RIGHT

'EY BOSS- SO I
HEAR THIS
COMPETITION TESTS
2 FUNCTIONS, THE
MANIPULATORS
AND "CARRY-WORK"



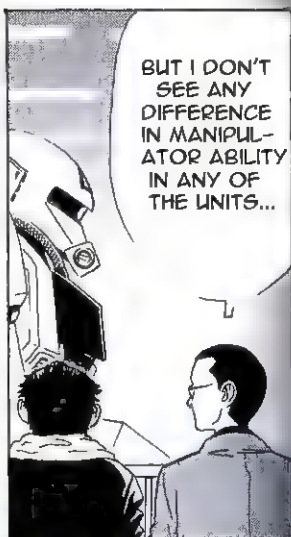
BASICALLY,
AS LONG AS
WE DON'T
FINISH LAST
IN TODAY'S
TESTS, WE'LL
BE FINE.

THE 2 UNITS THAT
SCORE BADLY
IN TODAY'S TESTS
WILL BE DROPPED.
THERE SEEMS
TO BE A FINAL
SCREENING TEST
FOR THE
REMAINING 2 ON
A LATER DAY...

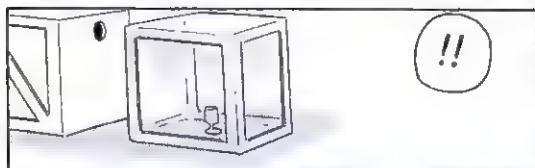


CLEAR
BLOCK?

NO, YASU.
LOOK CLOSELY
AT WHAT'S
INSIDE THE
CLEAR BLOCK.



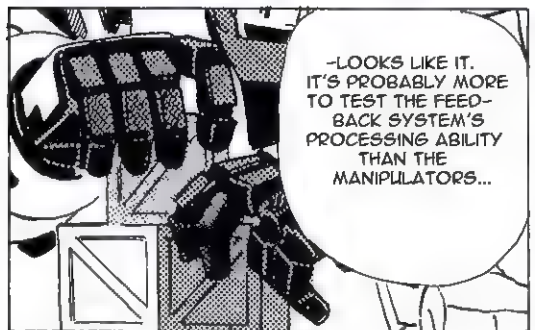
BUT I DON'T
SEE ANY
DIFFERENCE
IN MANIPUL-
ATOR ABILITY
IN ANY OF
THE UNITS...



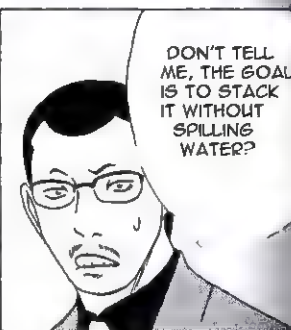
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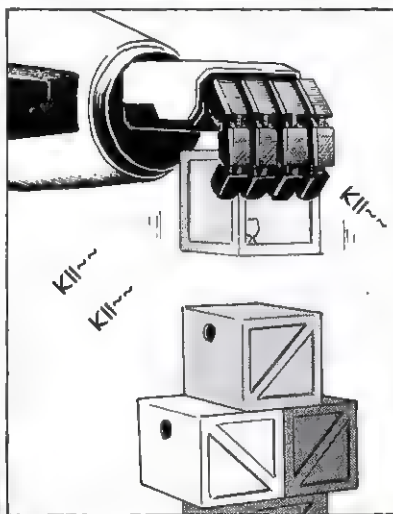
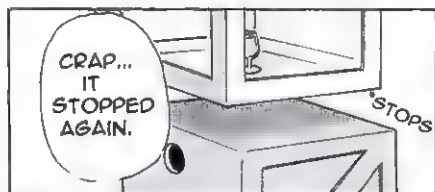
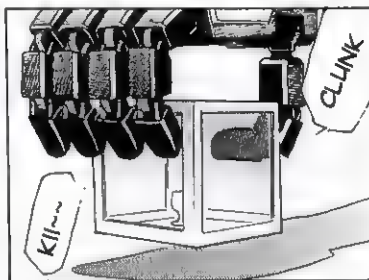
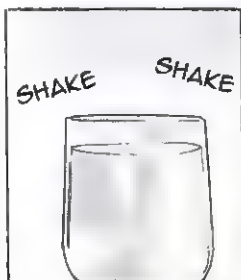
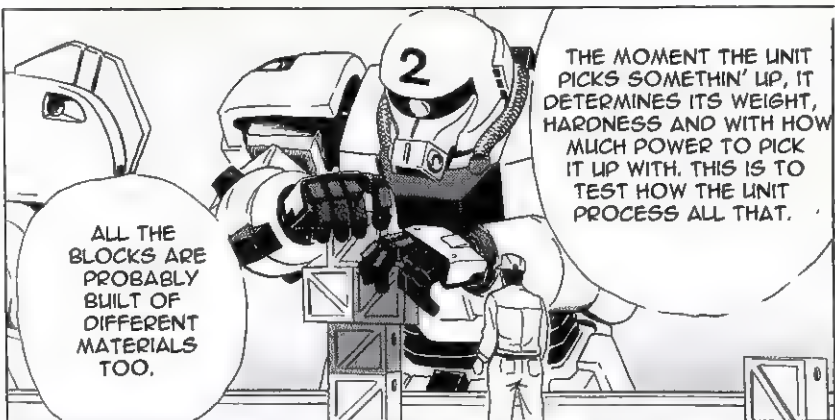
THE...
THERE'S
WATER IN
THAT
GLASS...?!

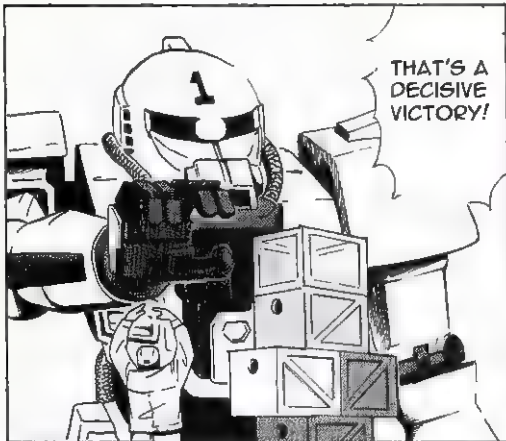


-LOOKS LIKE IT.
IT'S PROBABLY MORE
TO TEST THE FEED-
BACK SYSTEM'S
PROCESSING ABILITY
THAN THE
MANIPULATORS...



DON'T TELL
ME, THE GOAL
IS TO STACK
IT WITHOUT
SPILLING
WATER?



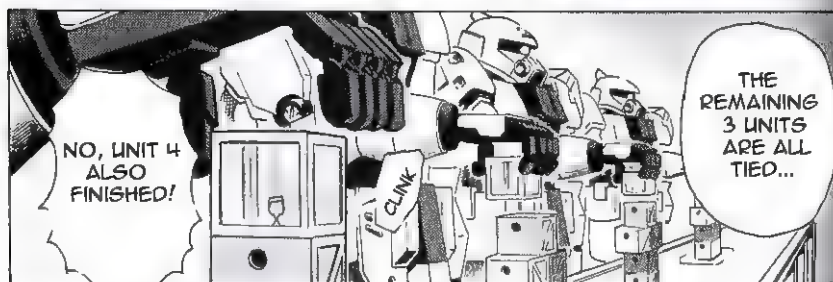


THAT'S A
DECISIVE
VICTORY!



WOAH!
LOOK,
UNIT 1 HAS
ALREADY
FINISHED!

WHAT?



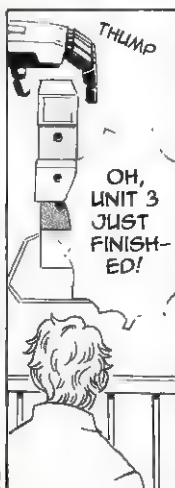
NO, UNIT 4
ALSO
FINISHED!

THE
REMAINING
3 UNITS
ARE ALL
TIED...



UNIT 2
ALSO
FINISHED!
BUT WAIT,
UNIT 3 WAS
THE FASTER
ONE.

THAT
DISQUAL-
IFIES
UNIT 2...



THUMP

OH,
UNIT 3
JUST
FINISH-
ED!



DAMN,
THE
OTHERS
HAVE
BETTER
PROCESS-
ING POWER!

SHI- THIS
AIN'T GOOD.
DOWN TO
THE LAST
TWO.

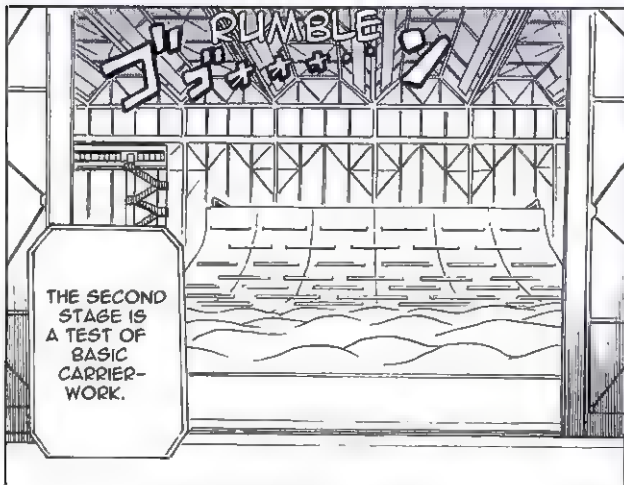
DESPITE UNIT 3
WINNING BY A
MERE 0.25
SECOND MARGIN,
IT KNOCKED
OVER THE GLASS
AND WILL THERE-
FORE BE
DISQUALIFIED.

AS SUCH,
UNITS 1, 2,
AND 4 MOVE
ON TO THE
NEXT TEST.

SIGH

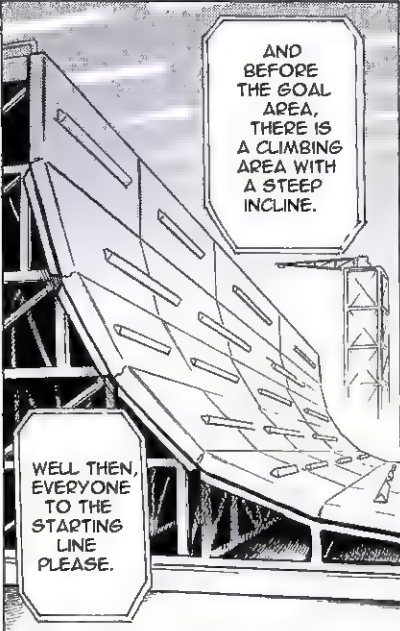
BUT UNIT 2
WAS THE
SLOWER
ONE! WHAT
WILL HAPPEN
NOW?!

NO, LOOK!
UNIT 3'S
GLASS FELL
OVER!




THE SECOND
STAGE IS
A TEST OF
BASIC
CARRIER-
WORK.

-ALL MS,
PLEASE
MOVE TO
THE
SECOND
STAGE.

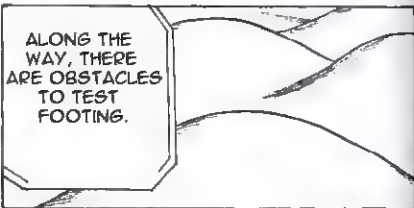


AND BEFORE THE GOAL AREA, THERE IS A CLIMBING AREA WITH A STEEP INCLINE.

WELL THEN, EVERYONE TO THE STARTING LINE PLEASE.



THE GOAL IS TO CARRY THE 5 TON LOAD AT THEIR FEET TO THE GOAL AREA ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE.



ALONG THE WAY, THERE ARE OBSTACLES TO TEST FOOTING.



GRIP

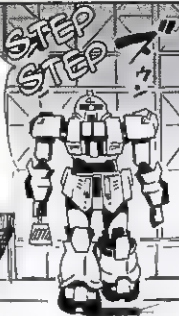
RIGHT! CUZ WE CALIBRATED THE CHASSIS.

ALRIGHT! OUR MS HAS THE ADVANTAGE IN BALANCE!



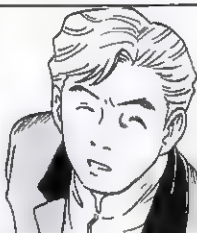
- ON YOUR MARK, GET SET, GO!!

WHAT'S THIS?
UNIT 2 ISN'T
MOVING!
MECHANICAL
TROUBLE IS IT?



SHE'S
IN LAST
PLACE
AGAIN...

WHAT'S
THAT
DUMBASS
DOIN'?!
BEEP



MISS
MION?

ONCE I FIX
THIS, I CAN'
SMOKE 'EM
ALL.

POWER PORTION
HAS BEEN RETURN-
ED TO ORIGINAL
SETTINGS! I WON'T
GO ANY FASTER
THAN THE OTHERS.

ALRIGHT!
LET'S DO
THIS!

RELEAS-
ING THE
LIMITER!

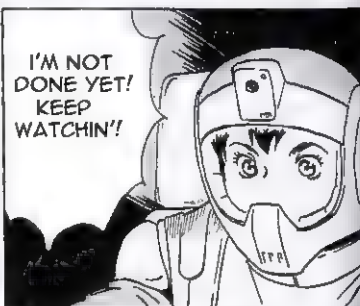
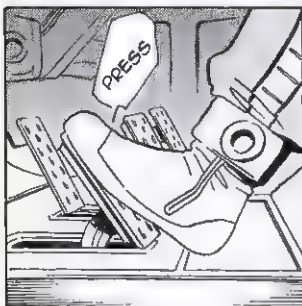
TIGHTEN THE
HEEL SUSPEN-
SION...AND
CHANGE THE
BALANCER
SETTINGS...

STEP

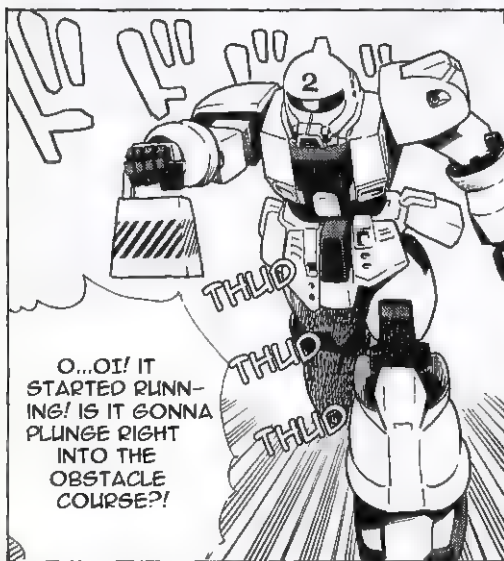
STEP

BUT THE
OTHERS ARE
TOO FAR
AHEAD. IT
CAN'T POSS-
IBLY CATCH
UP AT THIS
RATE...

OH LOOK,
UNIT 2
FINALLY
STARTED
MOVING.

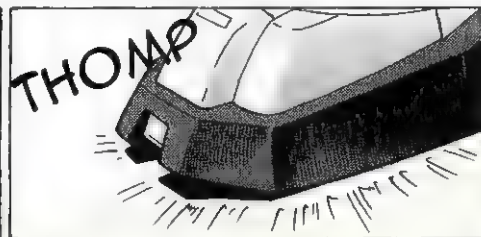
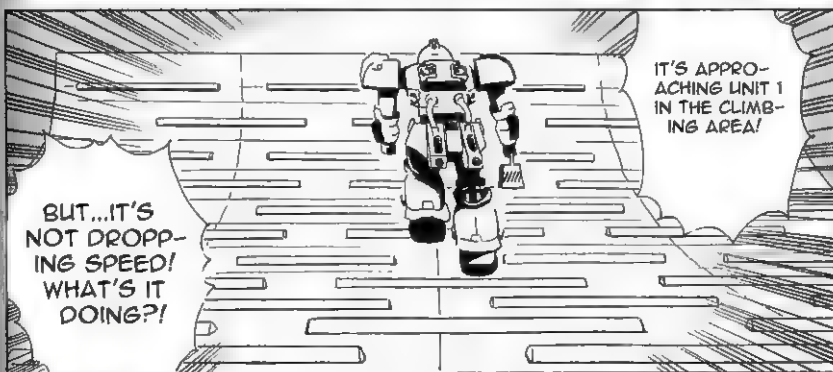
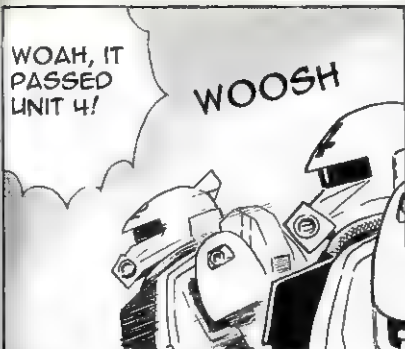


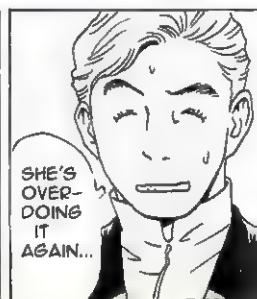
I'M NOT
DONE YET!
KEEP
WATCHIN'!

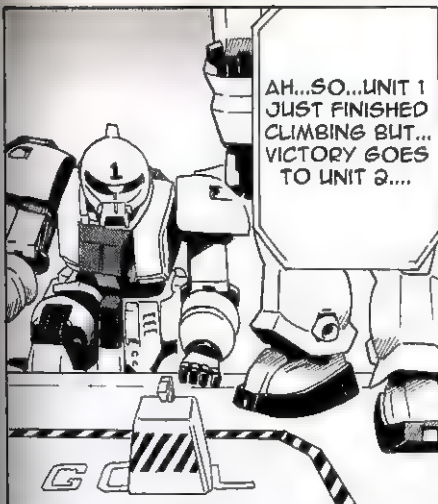


O...OI! IT
STARTED RUN-
NING! IS IT GONNA
PLUNGE RIGHT
INTO THE
OBSTACLE
COURSE?!

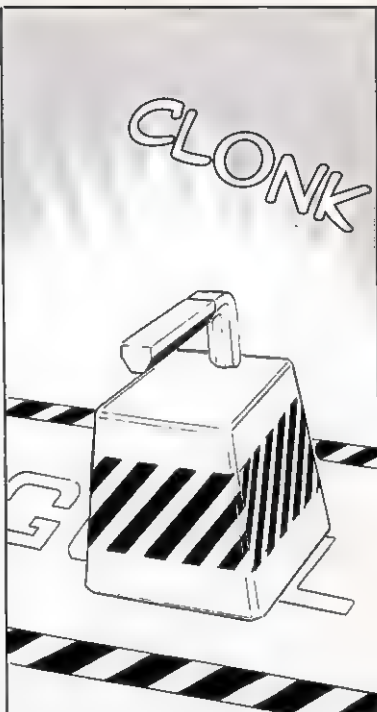








AH...SO...UNIT 1
JUST FINISHED
CLIMBING BUT...
VICTORY GOES
TO UNIT 2....



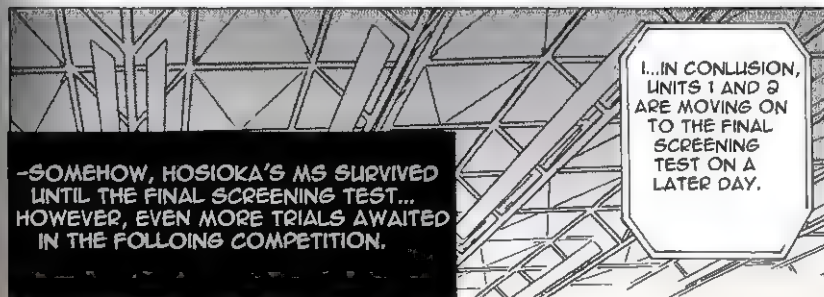
PEACE
OUT

HAHAHAHA,
HOW DO YA
LIKE ME NOW?



...I
AGREE

...WELL, IT LOOKS
LIKE SHE TOOK
THAT NEAR LOSS
IN THE LAST TEST
PRETTY HARD, EHP?

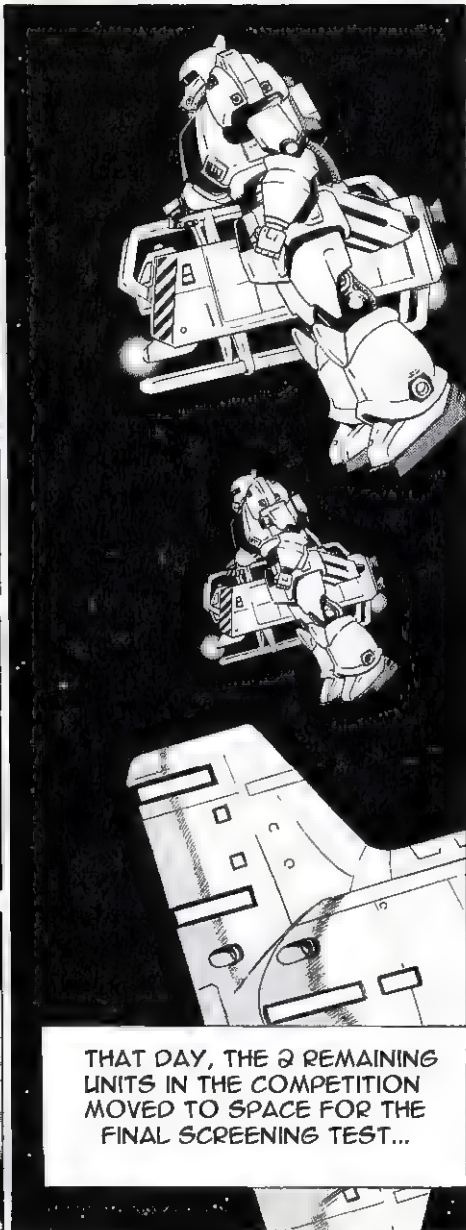
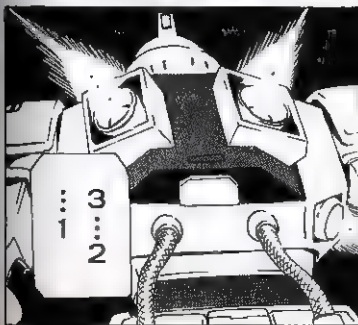
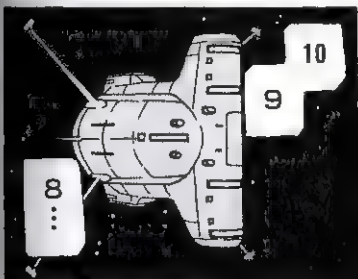
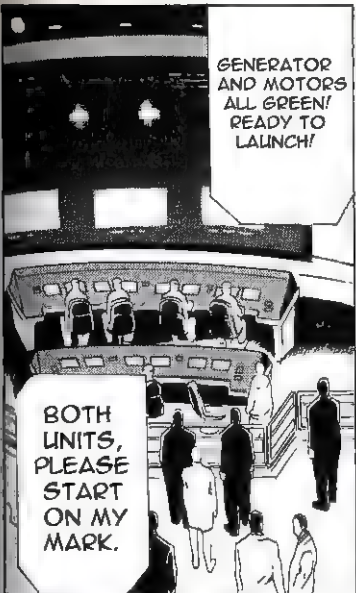


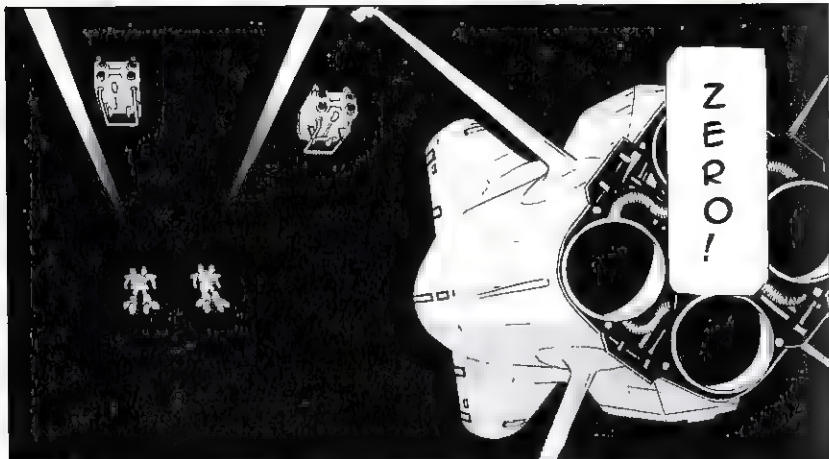
-SOMEHOW, HOSIOKA'S MS SURVIVED
UNTIL THE FINAL SCREENING TEST...
HOWEVER, EVEN MORE TRIALS AWAITED
IN THE FOLLOING COMPETITION.

I...IN CONCLUSION,
UNITS 1 AND 2
ARE MOVING ON
TO THE FINAL
SCREENING
TEST ON A
LATER DAY.

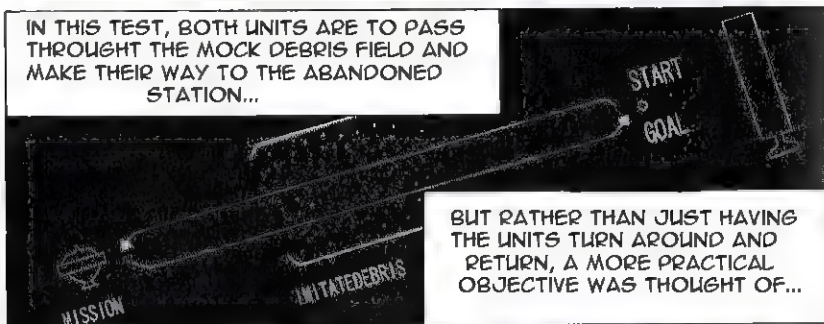
**Project.10 : SCHEME! MILITARY
INTERVENTION**





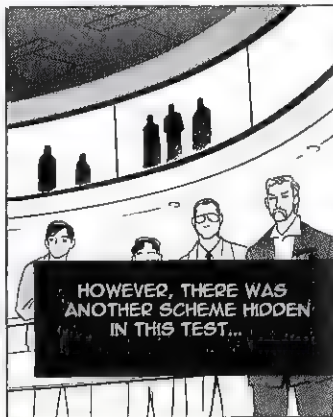
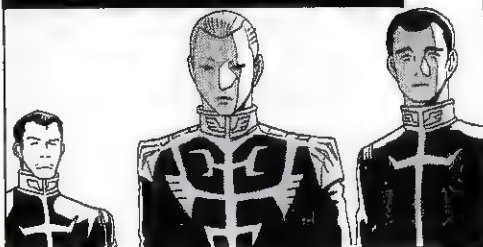


IN THIS TEST, BOTH UNITS ARE TO PASS THROUGH THE MOCK DEBRIS FIELD AND MAKE THEIR WAY TO THE ABANDONED STATION...



BUT RATHER THAN JUST HAVING THE UNITS TURN AROUND AND RETURN, A MORE PRACTICAL OBJECTIVE WAS THOUGHT OF...

HIDDEN WAS THE INTENT TO PROBE THE VIABILITY OF AN MS AS A MILITARY WEAPON-

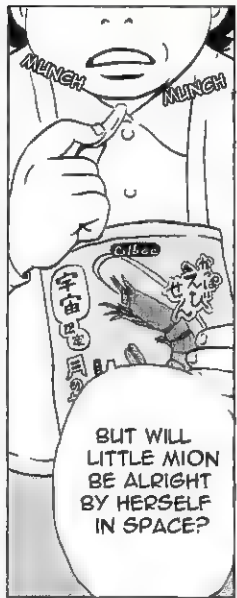




ER?!
HOW'D
Y'ALL GET
IN HERE?!



QUIT
BLABBIN'.
WE DID ALL
WE COULD.
NOW IT'S
UP TO H-



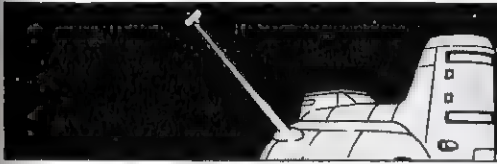
BUT WILL
LITTLE MION
BE ALRIGHT
BY HERSELF
IN SPACE?



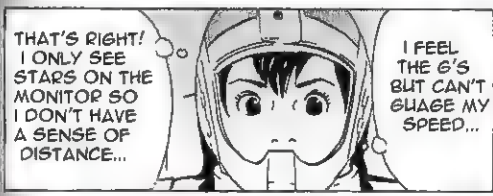
HA
HA
HA

BY THE
WAY, THE
DOG IS
NOW A
GUIDE
DOG

HEHEHE, WE
SWIPED YUR
PASS AN'
MADE SOME
FOR OUR-
SELVES.



NOW
Y'ALL
DUNNIT!

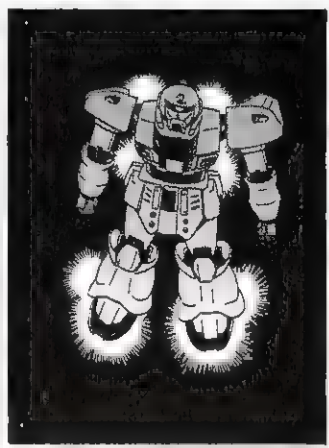


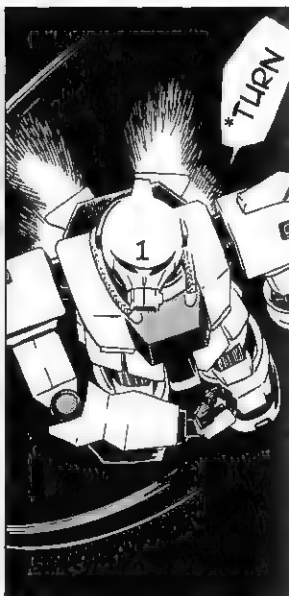
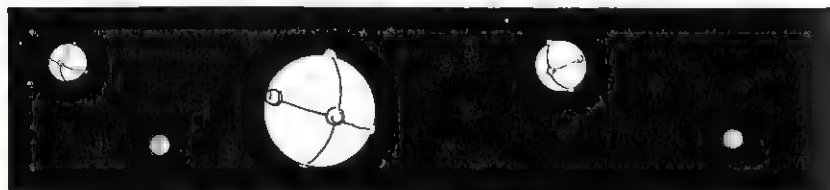
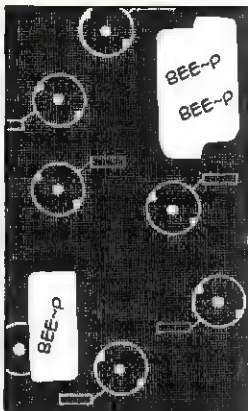
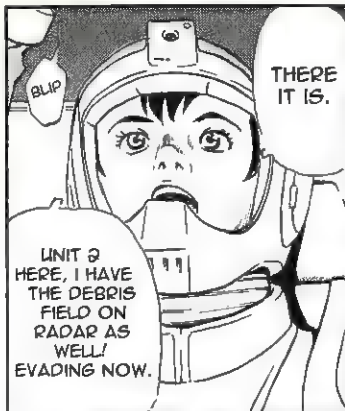
THAT'S RIGHT!
I ONLY SEE
STARS ON THE
MONITOR SO
I DON'T HAVE
A SENSE OF
DISTANCE...

I FEEL
THE G'S
BUT CAN'T
GAUGE MY
SPEED...



SO...
THIS IS
SPACE?





...I'M GOING
TOO FAST...
I WON'T LAST
LONG LIKE
THIS.

WOOSH

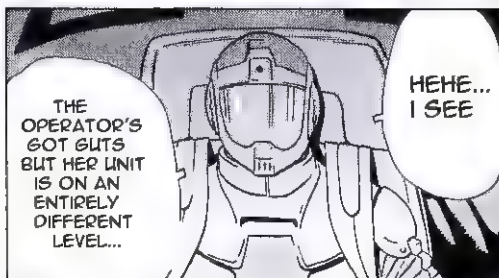
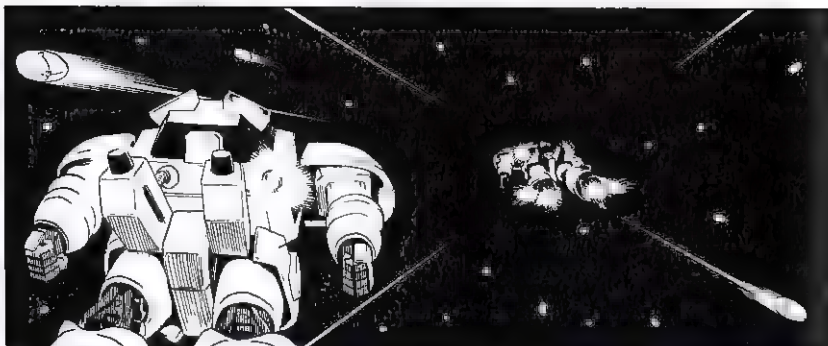
WOOSH

TURN

WHAT?!

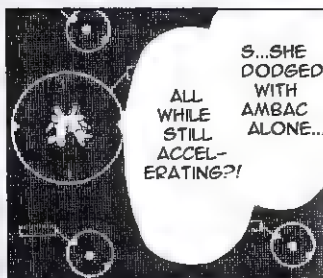
TURN

GWOOSH



THE
OPERATOR'S
GOT GUTS
BUT HER UNIT
IS ON AN
ENTIRELY
DIFFERENT
LEVEL...

HEHE...
I SEE



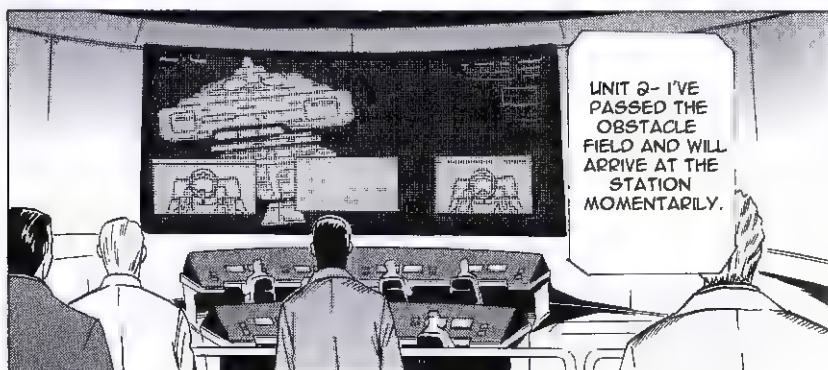
S...SHE
DODGED
WITH
AMBAC
ALONE...

ALL
WHILE
STILL
ACCEL-
ERATING?!

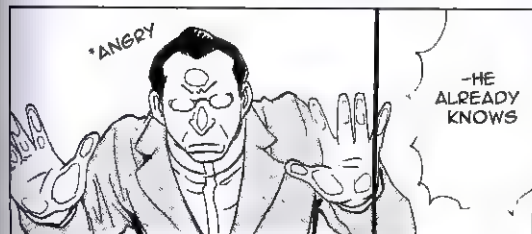
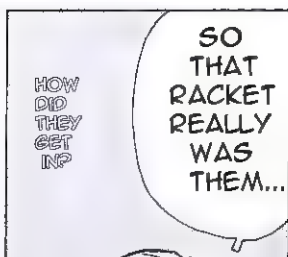
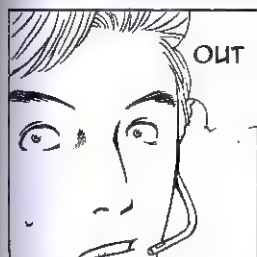
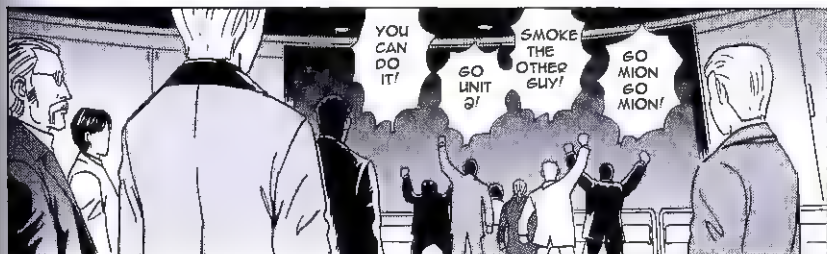



SO, THEO
IS FOND
OF HER...

AT THIS
RATE, I
WON'T
WIN...



UNIT 2- I'VE
PASSED THE
OBSTACLE
FIELD AND WILL
ARRIVE AT THE
STATION
MOMENTARILY.





MR. THEO
PAZHITONOV!!
DON'T TELL ME
THAT BUNCH
THERE IS FROM
HOSIOKA?! WHAT
ARE THEY DOING
HERE?!

GULP

OH,
SUPER-
VISOR, YA
WANNA
JOIN THE
CHEERING?

TH...THIS
ISN'T THE
PLACE FOR
THA-T...

E-EVERYONE,
STOP,
STO-P!

HEY
LOOK,
THA'S
NOT
SUP-
POSED
TO
HAPPEN.

W...WAIT, THE
UNIT THAT WAS
BUILT AT ANOTHER
FACTORY WAS...
HOSIOKA'S?!

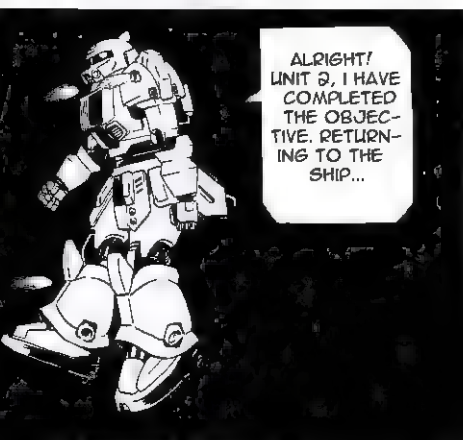
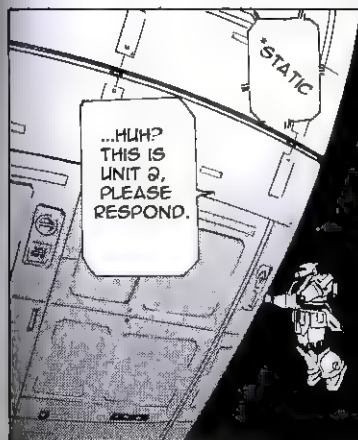
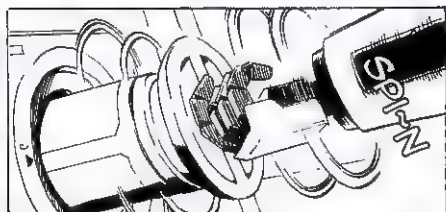
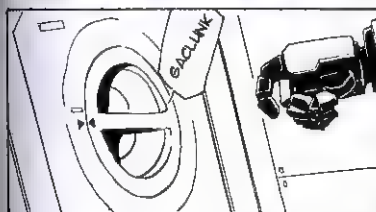
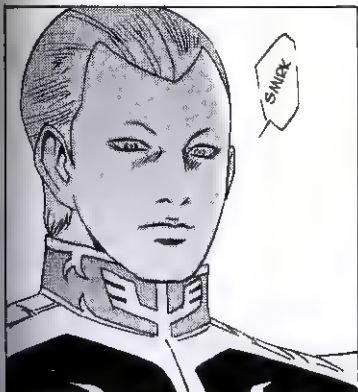
WELL...
I...
UHM

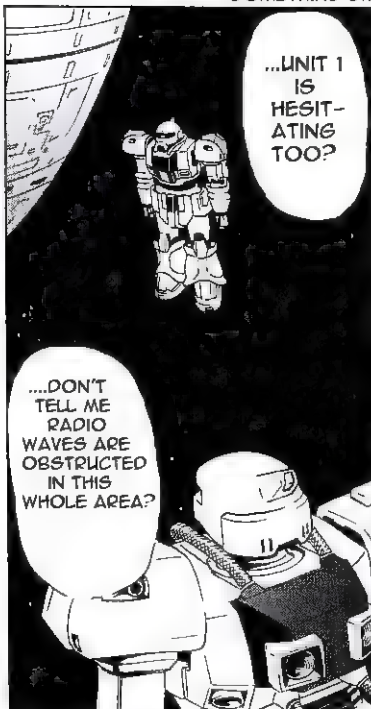
WHAT'S
GOING
ON? THE
IMAGE IS
GETTING
WORSE
BY THE
SECOND!

STATIC
STATIC

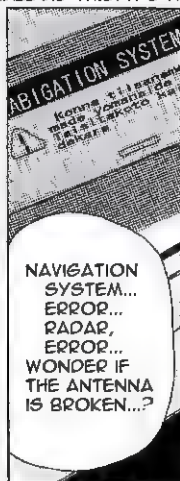
I...I WON'T HAVE
THAT!! CANCEL
THIS! CANCEL
THE COMPETITION!
THE OUTCOME
NOW IS MEANING-
LESS! YOU
UNDERSTAND ME?!

THAT'S...
WAIT
JUST A
MINUTE...

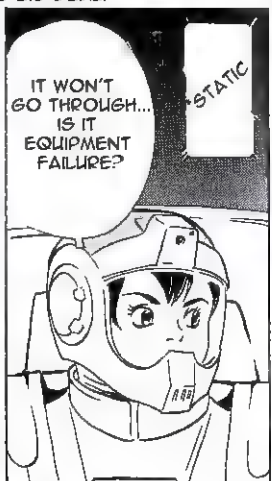




...UNIT 1
IS
HESITATING
TOO?



NAVIGATION
SYSTEM...
ERROR...
RADAR,
ERROR...
WONDER IF
THE ANTENNA
IS BROKEN...?



IT WON'T
GO THROUGH...
IS IT
EQUIPMENT
FAILURE?

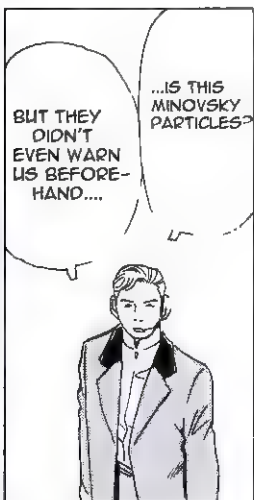
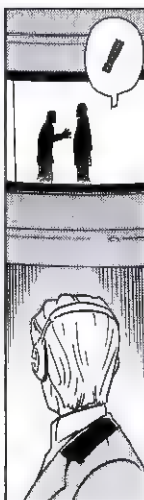
STATIC



CRAP! I GOTTA
HURRY OR
UNIT 1 WILL
TAKE THE
LEAD...

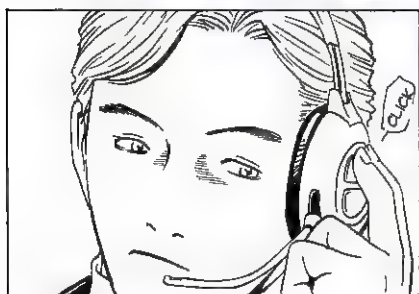


...WHAT'S
GOING
ON?




BUT THEY
DIDN'T
EVEN WARN
US BEFORE-
HAND....


...IS THIS
MINOVSKY
PARTICLES?



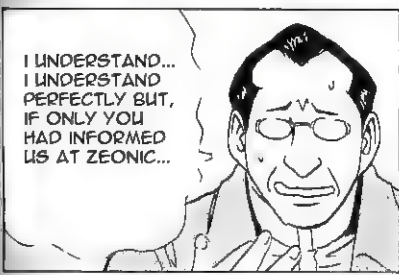
quick



WE DON'T CARE
ABOUT MACHINES
THAT CAN CARRY
LOADS OR STACK
BLOCKS!! THE
MILITARY WANTS
AN MS CAPABLE
OF INDEPENDANT
MOVEMENT
UNAFFECTED BY
MINOVSKY
PARTICLES!!



I KNOW
THE MILITARY
HAS AN
INTEREST IN THIS
BUT YOU CAN'T
GO DOING
THINGS
LIKE THIS
UNANNOUNCED.



I UNDERSTAND...
I UNDERSTAND
PERFECTLY BUT,
IF ONLY YOU
HAD INFORMED
US AT ZEONIC...



WE'LL HAVE
TO RETHINK
OUR CONTRACT
WITH YOUR
COMPANY.

-BUT IF THIS
THING GETS
LOST UNDER
SUCH PETTY
CONDITIONS...

THE
MILITARY
HAS ALSO
BEEN
MONITORING
THEM.

THE MS'
OPERATING
TIME IS
LIMITED AND
THERE'S A
POSSIBILITY
OF LOSING
THEM...

SILENT



B..BUT,
AFTER WE'VE
INVESTED SO
MUCH TIME
AND MONEY,
YOU WOULD...

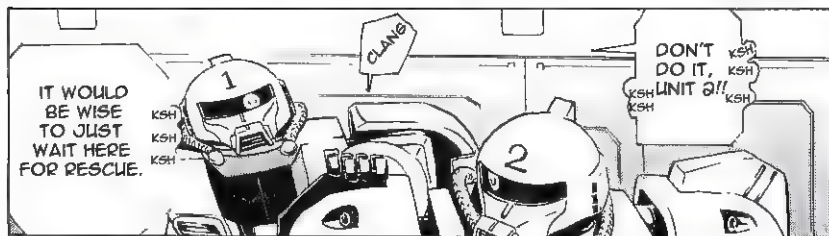


BUT EVEN IF
IT'S MOCK
DEBRIS, IT CAN
STILL CAUSE
DAMAGE.
MAKING THEM
RETURN WITH
EYESIGHT
ALONE IS
CRAZY...



...FROM THE
VERY BEGINNING,
THE MILITARY
INTENDED THE
CONTRACT FOR
MILITARY USE.
WELL, WE CAN'T
OPPOSE IT
AT THIS POINT...

...I KNEW
IT, THE
MILITARY
INTENTION-
ALLY
SPREAD
MINOVSKY
PARTICLES...



IT WOULD
BE WISE
TO JUST
WAIT HERE
FOR RESCUE.

KSH
KSH
KSH

CLANG

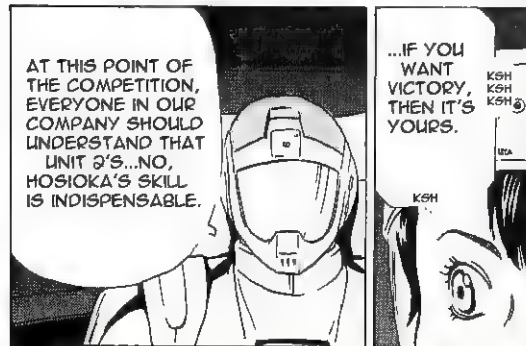
DON'T
DO IT,
UNIT 2!!

KSH
KSH
KSH

KSH
KSH



BUT, A WINNER
CAN'T BE
DECIDED UNLESS
WE GO BACK.

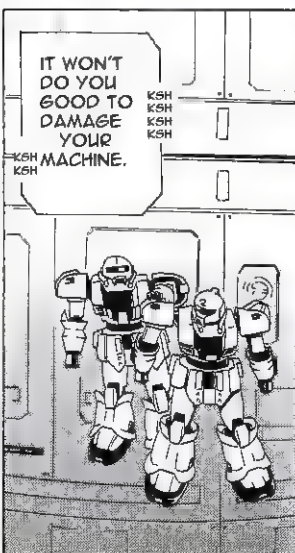


AT THIS POINT OF
THE COMPETITION,
EVERYONE IN OUR
COMPANY SHOULD
UNDERSTAND THAT
UNIT 2'S...NO,
HOSIOKA'S SKILL
IS INDISPENSABLE.

...IF YOU
WANT
VICTORY,
THEN IT'S
YOURS.

KSH
KSH
KSH

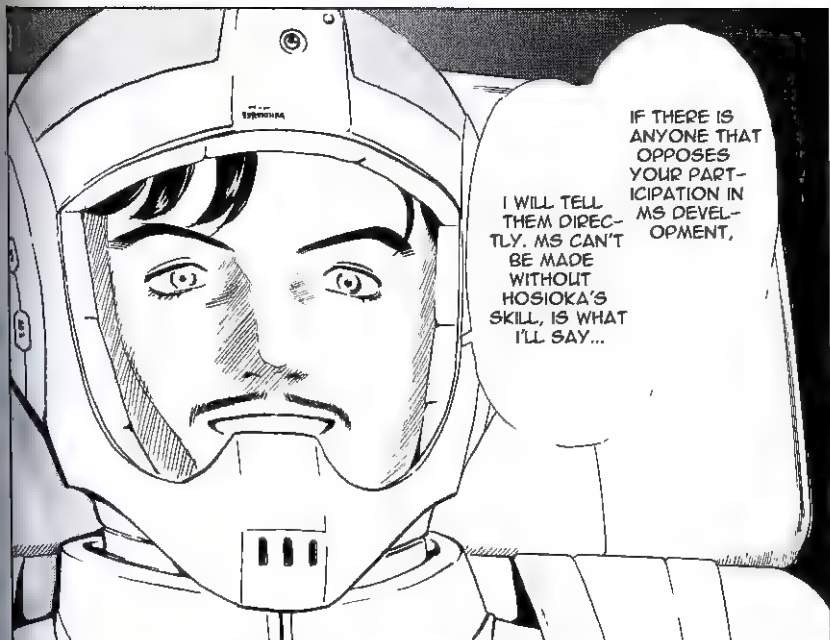
KSH



IT WON'T
DO YOU
GOOD TO
DAMAGE
YOUR
MACHINE.

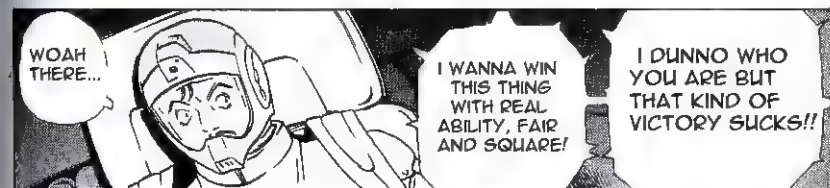
KSH
KSH
KSH

KSH
KSH



I WILL TELL
THEM DIREC-
TLY. MS CAN'T
BE MADE
WITHOUT
HOSIOKA'S
SKILL, IS WHAT
I'LL SAY...

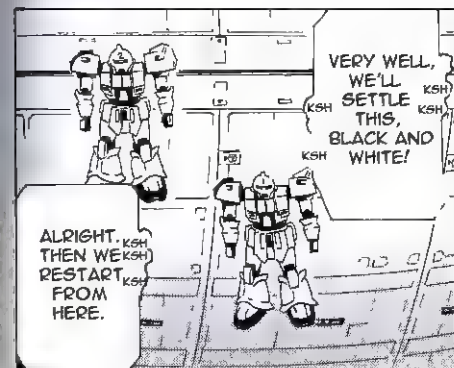
IF THERE IS
ANYONE THAT
OPPOSES
YOUR PART-
ICIPATION IN
MS DEVEL-
OPMENT,



WOAH
THERE...

I WANNA WIN
THIS THING
WITH REAL
ABILITY, FAIR
AND SQUARE!

I DUNNO WHO
YOU ARE BUT
THAT KIND OF
VICTORY SUCKS!!



VERY WELL,
WE'LL
SETTLE
THIS,
BLACK AND
WHITE!

ALRIGHT.
THEN WE
RESTART
FROM
HERE.



HA...HAHAHA,
YOU REALLY
DO HATE
LOSING LIKE
I HEARD..

KSH
KSH
I KNOW. IN
OTHER WORDS
GO AS FAST
AS YOU CAN
RIGHT...?



BUT LET ME TELL
YOU THIS. IN SPACE,
YOU CAN'T VENT
EXCESS HEAT. IF YOU
DON'T RETURN WITHIN
THE UNIT'S OPERATIONAL
TIME, THE
REACTOR WILL SHUT
DOWN AND YOU'LL
BAKE ALIVE IN THERE.

BESIDES,
I'VE BEEN
BAKED
PLENTY.

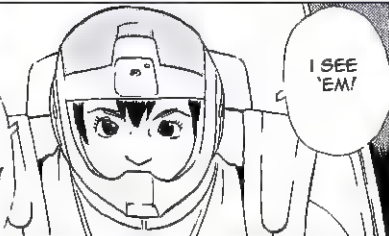
WHAT...HE HAS
A SIGNAL?
LASER COMMUNIC-
ATION, EH..
THE ARMY SCUM
WAS PLANNING
TO DO THIS ALL
ALONG...



...HM, GOT IT.
SO THE
2 UNITS
STARTED BACK
TO THE SHIP...



BUT THEIR
DISTANCE
IS...3000?!

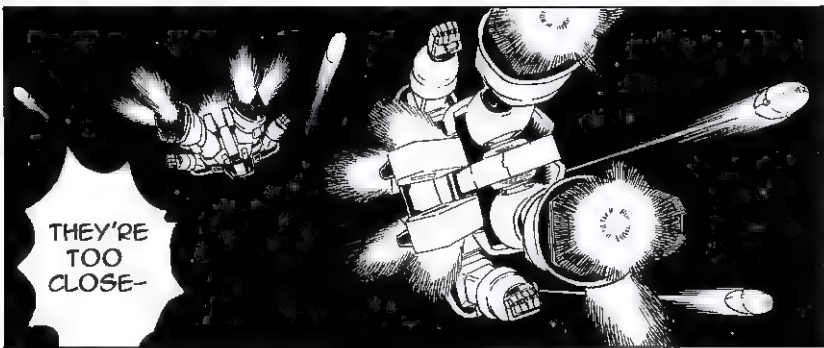


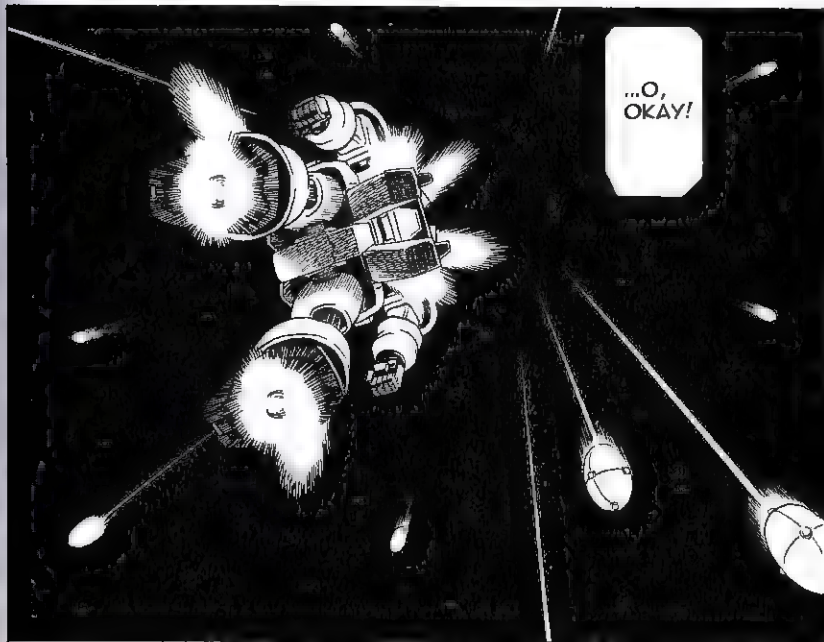
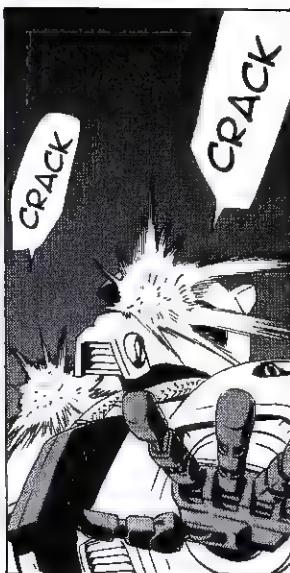
I SEE
'EM!

WATCH THE
FRONT
RIGHT FOR
MOCK
DEBRIS.

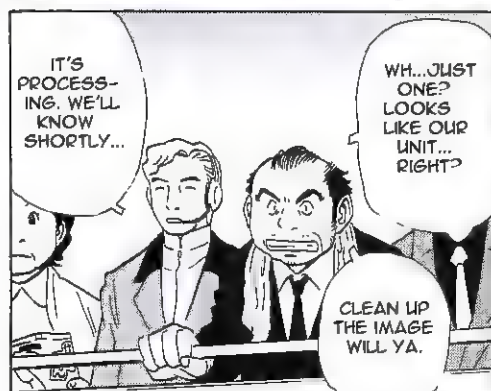
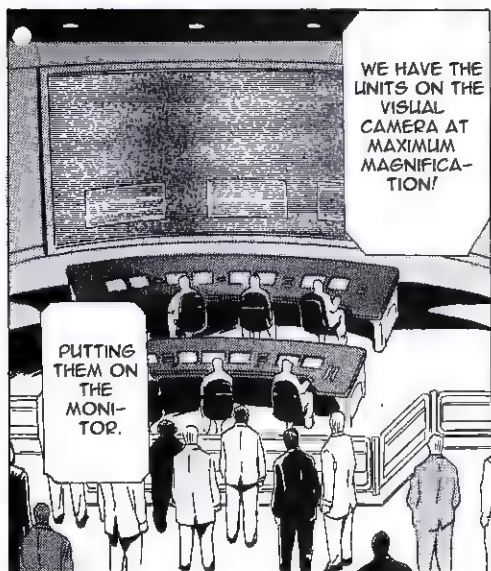


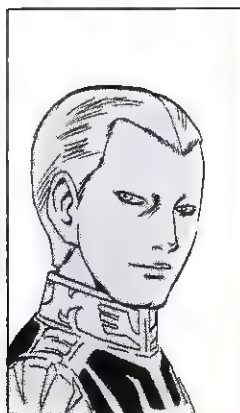
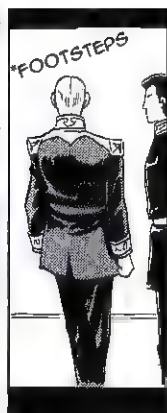
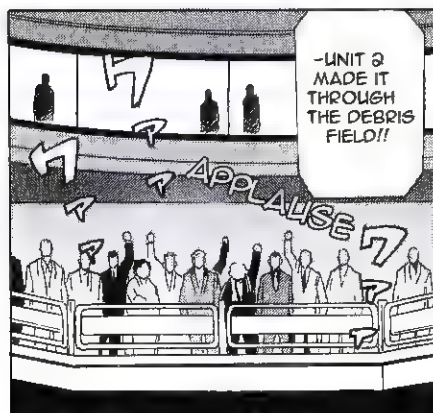
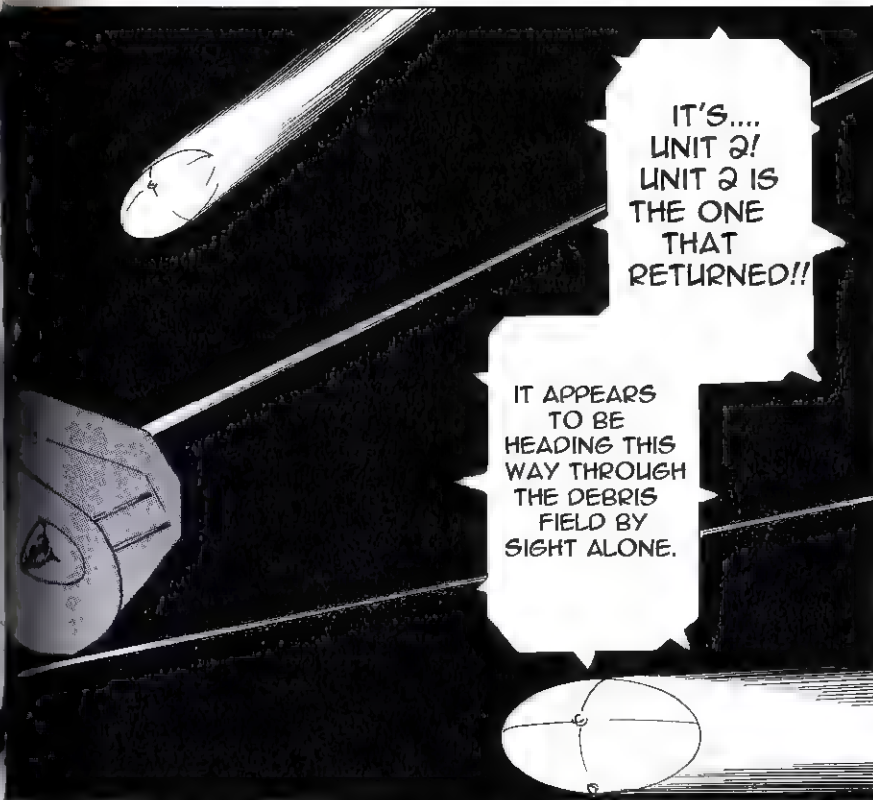
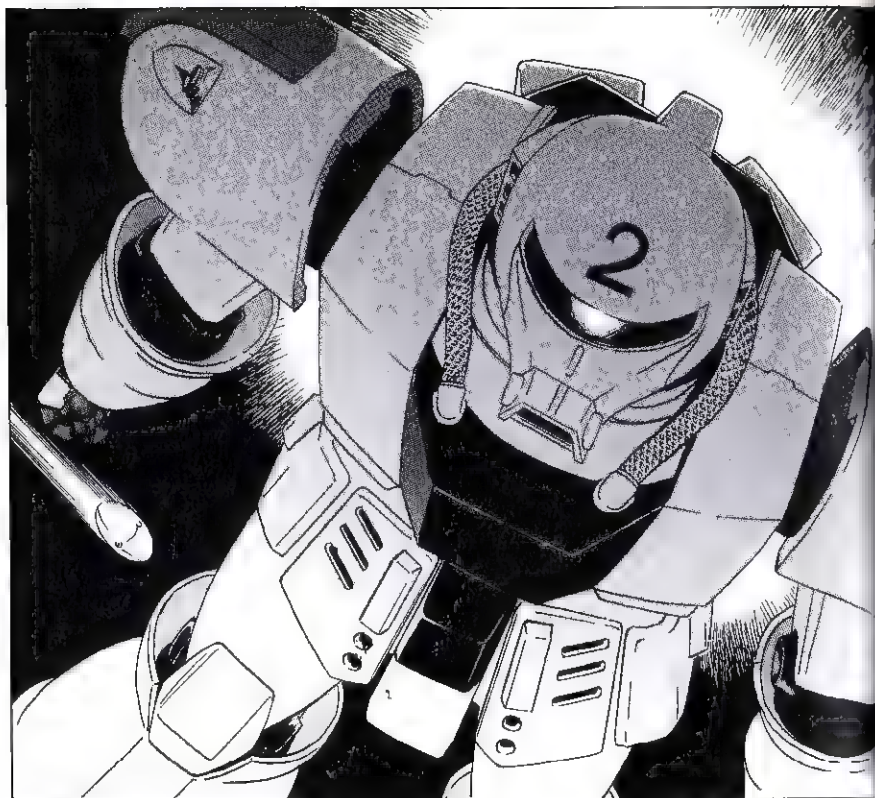
THEY'RE
TOO
CLOSE-





Project.10 : end





OH...NO...
IT'S JUST,
THAT
UNIT...

HMM?
WHAT'S
NOT
GOOD?

AT THIS
RATE, WE'LL
HAVE TO
PRESENT
HOSIOKA'S
UNIT TO THE
MEDIA...

NO...
THIS
ISN'T
GOOD

WAS
UNDER-
HANDEDLY
BUILT BY
THE FACTORY
HOSIOKA...

GUH! YOU
HEARD
ALL OF
THAT?!

CAN YOU
REALLY SAY
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT,
DIRECTOR?! I
WON'T STAND
FOR IT.

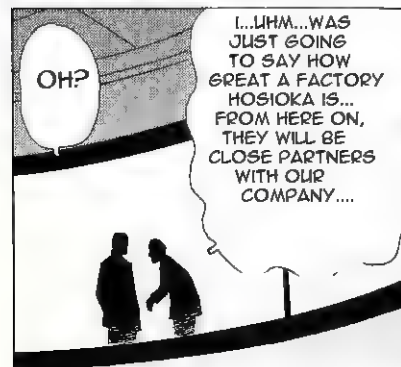
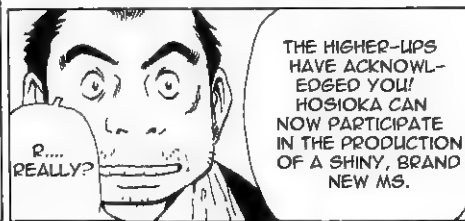
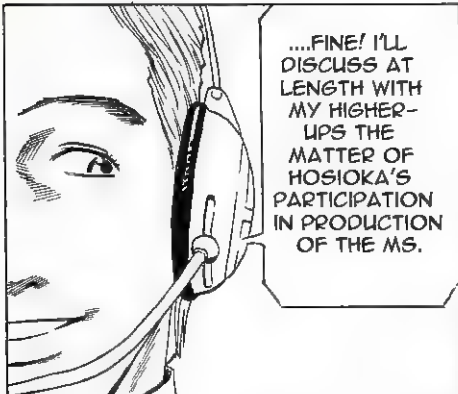
OH NO,
...SO
WHAT'S
WRONG?

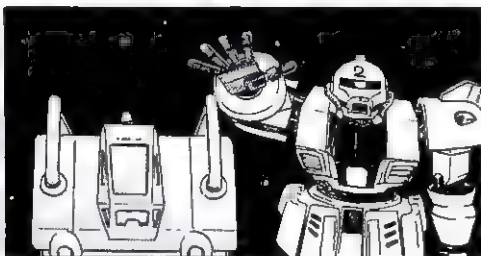
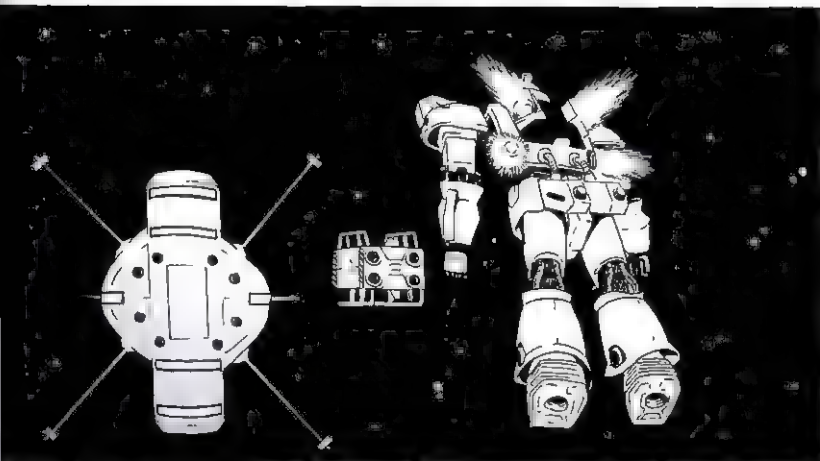
NO, NO,
IT'S ALL
A MISUN-
DERSTAN...

DIRECTOR,
PLEASE
ACKNOW-
LEDGE
HOSIOKA.

TH-!!

DIRECTOR! AS A MATTER
OF FACT, UNIT 1 DID NOT
MEET THE MILITARY'S
DEMAND FOR INDEPEND-
ANT MOVEMENT
UNAFFECTED BY
MINOVSKY PARTICLES!
IF WE LET HOSIOKA GO,
THEN THE CONTRACT
WITH THE MILITARY
WILL BE GONE.





...ELLIOT?
YOU MEAN
THE MS
DEVELOPER
ELLIOT REM?

OH NO...I DIDN'T
DO ANYTHING...
I'M ONLY
FOLLOWING
WHAT MR. ELLIOT
TOLD ME TO DO.
HE DESERVES
ALL THE THANKS...

MISS MION!
WE DID IT!
WE HAVE
THE MS JOB
IN THE BAG.



THANKS
FOR
EVERY-
THING,
SUPER-
VISOR
THEO.

SO THE
ZEONIC
TOP GUYS
FINALLY
ACKNOWL-
EDGED US,
EH?

NO
WAY!

HE SAID THAT IN A
RACE BETWEEN OUR
OWN BEST UNIT AND
ONE BUILT BY
HOSIOKA, IF HOSIOKA
WINS, NOBODY WILL
OBJECT TO THEIR
INCLUSION IN MS
PRODUCTION...

CORRECT. HE
HOLDS HOSIOKA
IN HIGH ESTEEM
AND EVEN
ARRANGED THIS
COMPETITION...

DIDN'T
YOU KNOW?
MR. ELLIOT
IS THE
OPERATOR
OF UNIT 1.

EH...SO YA
MEAN THAT
PERSON
HAS BEEN
PILOTING
AN MS?

...HE EVEN
TOOK MY
PLACE AS
A PILOT...

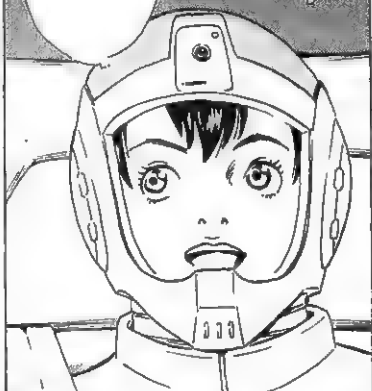
UHM...
WELL,
KINDA...

HUH? YOU
TALKED
WITH MR.
ELLIOT?

UNIT 1'S
OPERA-
TOR...

I SEE,
SO THAT'S
WHY HE
SAID THAT-

OI, MION,
YA BETTER
NOT HAVE
SAID
ANYTHING'
RUDE!



I...DID
JUST A
LITTLE

UH...



WUAH! DON'T
TOUCH THE
AIRLOCK~!

P...PLEASE
CALM
DOWN.

YA DUMBASS!
GIT YUR ASS
BACK HERE 'N
I'LL SMACK YA
A FEW!!

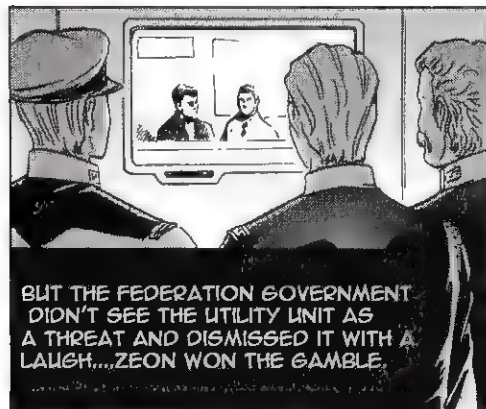
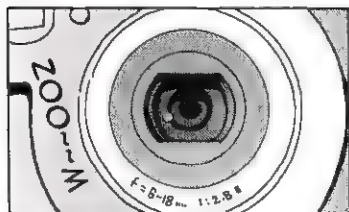


I'M FINE
IN HERE,
BUT HOW
AM I
SUPPOSED
TO GET
BACK?

HELLO
OUT
THE~RE

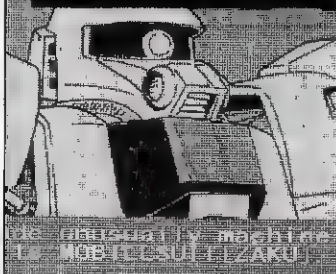


-THUS, HOSIOKA'S UNIT WAS
PRESENTED IN THE PRESS RELEASE.
THE NAME "MOBILE SUIT" WENT FAR
BEYOND THE ZEON HOMELAND
AND EVEN REACHED THE EARS
OF THE FARAWAY EARTH...



BUT THE FEDERATION GOVERNMENT
DIDN'T SEE THE UTILITY UNIT AS
A THREAT AND DISMISSED IT WITH A
LAUGH...ZEON WON THE GAMBLE.

LOOKING AT IT NOW, THAT
WAS A BIG GAMBLE FOR
THE PRINCIPALITY OF ZEON,



-LATER, WHEN THE MS PRODUCTION WAS DECIDED, HOSIOKA BECAME A FORMAL PARTS MAKER, AND UPROAR RETURNED TO THE FACTORY AS DEVELOPMENT OF A PRODUCTION MODEL BEGAN-

NO, Y'ALL
GOT IT
ALL WRONG!!

BESIDES,
ISN'T
HOSIOKA
IN CHARGE
OF GENERAL
PERFOR-
MANCE?

YEAH...
BUT THAT'S
A JOB FOR
THE ENGINE
DEVELOP-
MENT
TEAM...

LIKE
THIS...

I SAID IF YA MAKE
THE MAIN
THRUSTERS LIKE A
LAND CELL UNIT AN'
ATTACH IT LATER,
PRODUCTION WILL
BE A MOUNTAIN-
LOAD EASIER!

EVERYDAY, THERE WERE
DISAGREEMENTS WITH
ZEONIC HQ...

PLEASE...
NO NEED
TO GET
VIOLENT.

LIKE WE
SAY BACK
HOME, THIS
HERE IS A
PARTY OF
CROWS

HOW DO Y'ALL
EXPECT ME
TO DO
QUALITY
CONTROL
WHEN Y'ALL
ARE ALL OVER
THE DAMN
PLACE!!

THEN
BRING THE
ENGINE
MOOKS
HERE
TOO!!

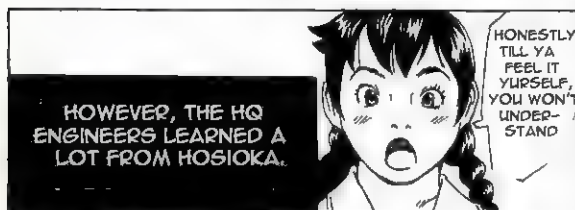
*OBSCURE JAPANESE PROVERB: PEOPLE GROUPED TOGETHER WITHOUT PRIOR THOUGHT
AS TO HOW THEY WILL MIX AND INTERACT.
鳥集の交わり



THERE, YA SEE
THAT? BEFORE YA
EXTEND THE
OPERATION TIME,
DO SOMETHING
ABOUT THE WASTE
HEAT. OTHERWISE,
THE PILOTS ARE
GONNA HAVE A
CRAPPY TIME.

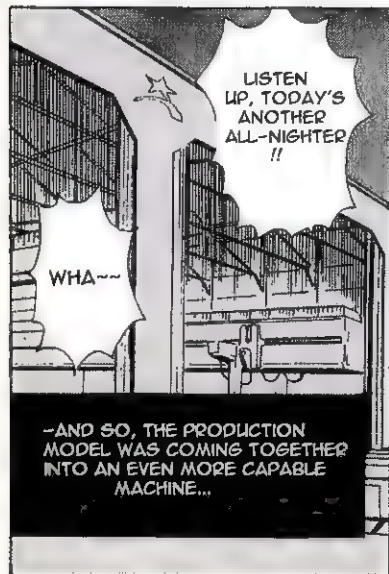
AIIIIH...

*PPSSH
SHHHHHH



HOWEVER, THE HQ
ENGINEERS LEARNED A
LOT FROM HOSIOKA.

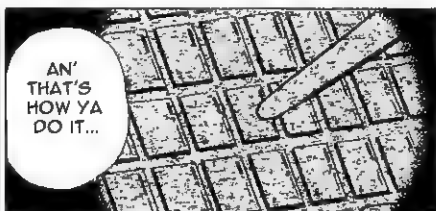
HONESTLY
TILL YA
FEEL IT
YOURSELF,
YOU WON'T
UNDER-
STAND



WHA~~

LISTEN
UP, TODAY'S
ANOTHER
ALL-NIGHTER
!!

-AND SO, THE PRODUCTION
MODEL WAS COMING TOGETHER
INTO AN EVEN MORE CAPABLE
MACHINE...



AN'
THAT'S
HOW YA
DO IT...

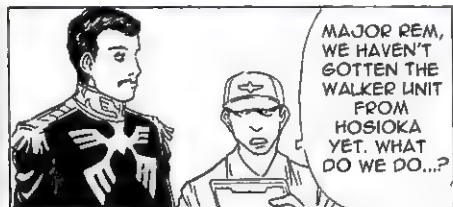
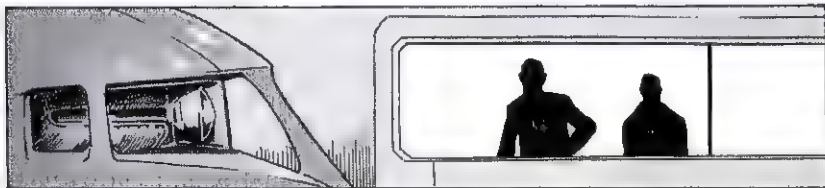
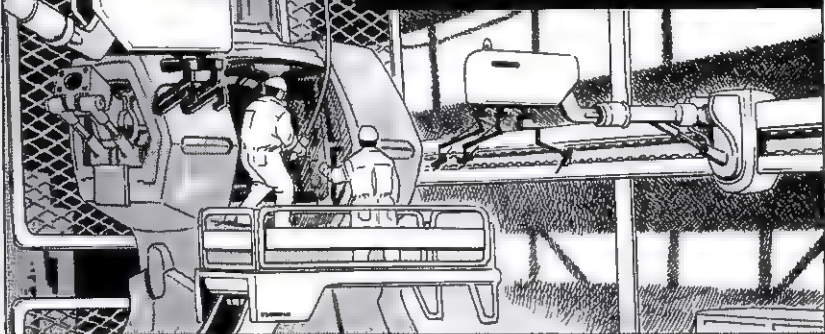


...WE SHOULD
MASS PROD-
UCE THIS OLD
MAN. YOU
KNOW, WITH
CLONING...

HOOHOO,
IT COMES
FROM YEARS
OF DOIN' IT,
I TELL YA

AMAZING! HE
DOES
ANGSTROM
LEVEL MOD-
IFICATIONS
SO EASILY...

MEANWHILE, ELLIOT REM TRANSFERRED FROM ZEONIC TO THE MILITARY AND WAS TASKED WITH OVERSEEING DEVELOPMENT OF A MILITARY USE MODEL.



MAJOR REM, WE HAVEN'T GOTTEN THE WALKER UNIT FROM HOSIOKA YET. WHAT DO WE DO...?

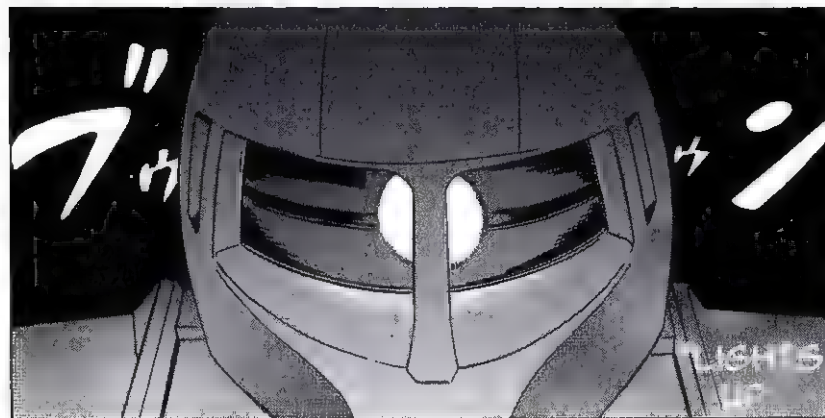
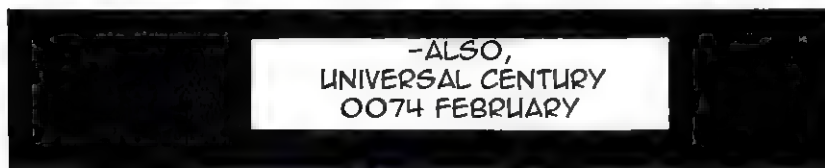
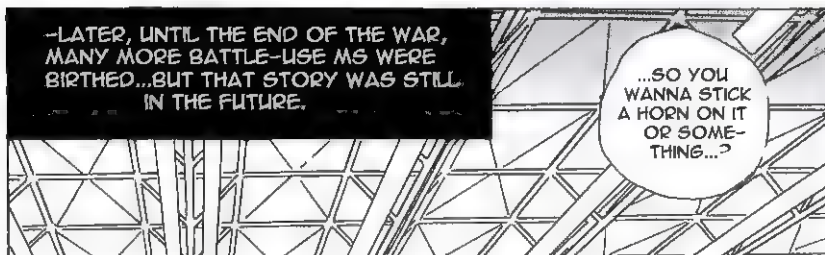
HM...
LOOKING
PRETTY
GOOD
ALREADY...

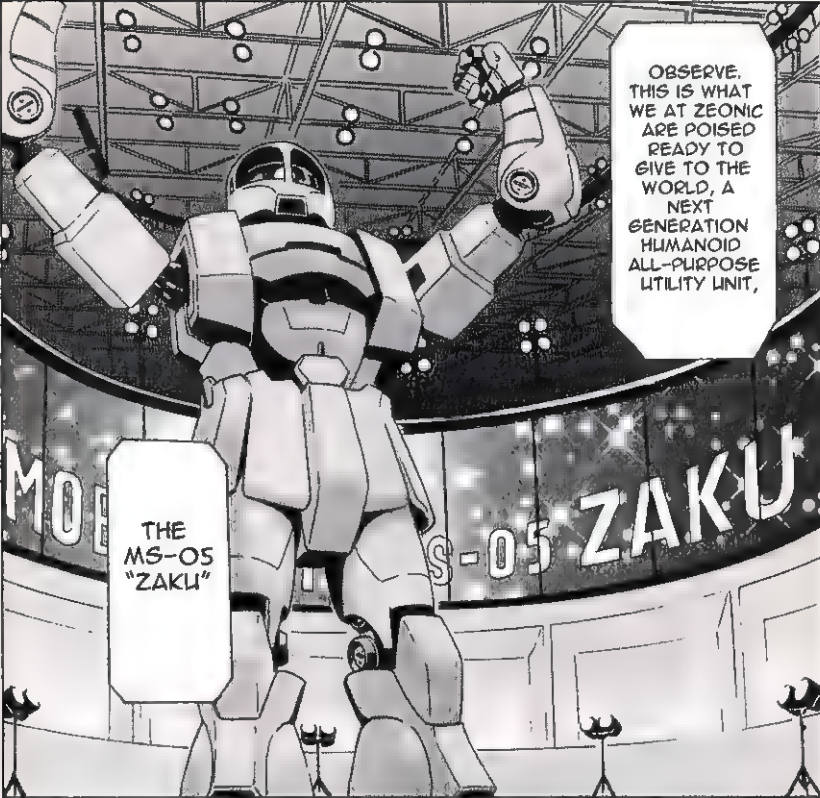


THIS RIGHT HERE IS TOP SECRET. NO LEAKS WILL BE TOLERATED.

HMPH...LATE AS ALWAYS, EH. WELL, WE'LL JUST WAIT A BIT MORE.







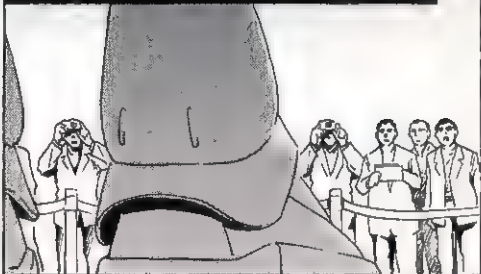
Observe, this is what we at Zeonic are poised ready to give to the world, a next generation humanoid all-purpose utility unit,

THE
MS-05
"ZAKU"

FROM HERE ON, FOR PURPOSES OF DEVELOPING SPACE...

THE PRODUCTION MODEL WAS NAMED "ZAKU" AND WAS PRESENTED AT THE ZEONIC HQ FACTORY.

...AS A UTILITY UNIT OF COURSE.

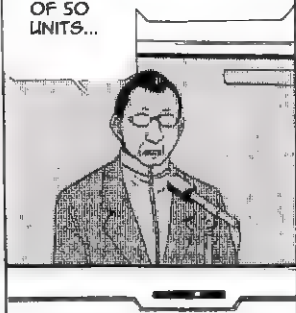


"ACQUIRED" MY
A~SS! THEY'RE
PROBABLY IN
BED WITH THE
MILITARY...



WE HOPE
FOR A
MONTHLY
PRODUC-
TION
OUTPUT
OF 50
UNITS...

TOGETHER WITH
OUR COMPET-
ITORS WHO HAVE
ACQUIRED PRO-
DUCTION
LICENSES, SUCH
AS ZIMMAD AND
MIP,



...WELL, IT DID
ENTER THE
MARKET SO
I THINK WE
CAN
CELEBRATE
A LITTLE BIT!



THE LAST
FEW DAYS
HAVE BEEN
NOTHING
BUT ALL-
NIGHTERS...

WELL THAT'S
GOOD RIGHT?
IF THE MAJOR
COMPANIES
JOIN, IT'LL BE
LESS WORK
FOR US...



UH...
WHO'D
CALL AT
A TIME
LIKE THIS?

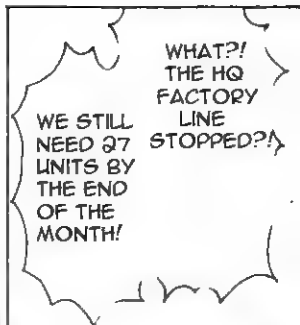
YEEAH,
I'M IN!!

DA~~MN RIGHT
LET'S CELEBRATE!
I'LL START WITH
THE BAR AN'
GIT ON OVER
TO THE BATH-
HOUSE.*

*JAPANESE ENJOY GOING TO PUBLIC BATH-HOUSES/HOT SPRINGS
FOR RELAXATION AND SOCIALIZATION.



WH...
WHAT
SHOULD
WE DO...

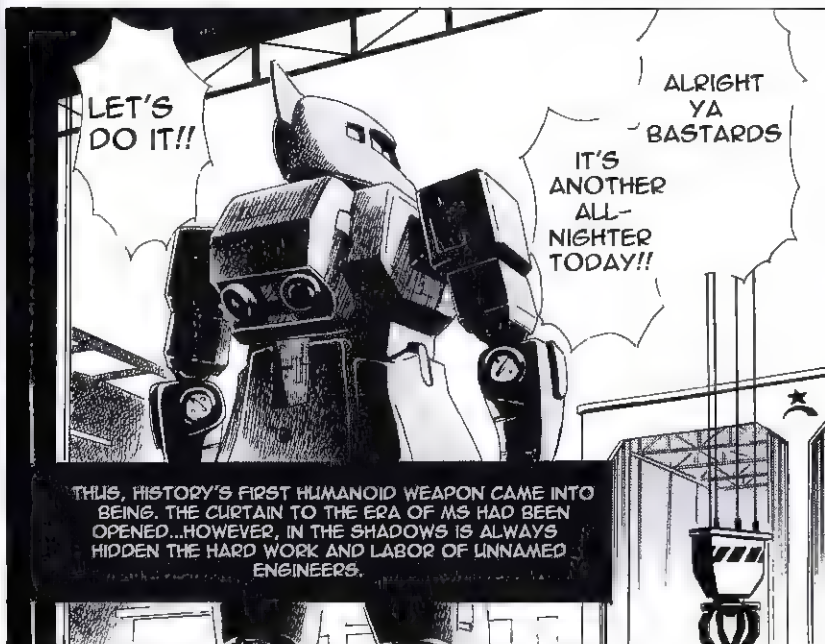


WHAT?!
THE HQ
FACTORY
LINE
STOPPED?!

WE STILL
NEED 27
UNITS BY
THE END
OF THE
MONTH!



OI VEY,
NO
CELEB-
RATION
FOR US
TONIGHT...

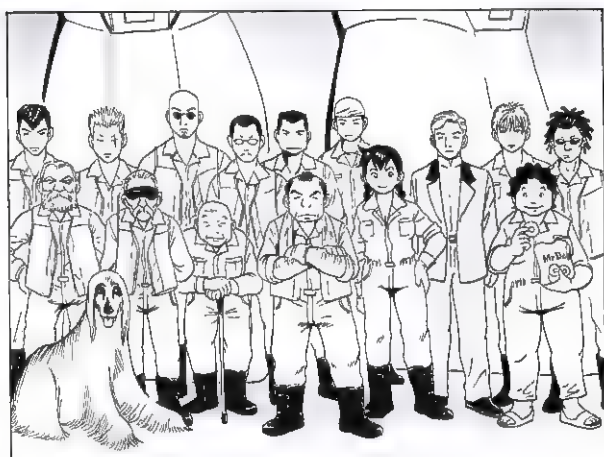


LET'S
DO IT!!

ALRIGHT
YA
BASTARDS

IT'S
ANOTHER
ALL-
NIGHTER
TODAY!!

THIS, HISTORY'S FIRST HUMANOID WEAPON CAME INTO BEING. THE CURTAIN TO THE ERA OF MS HAD BEEN OPENED...HOWEVER, IN THE SHADOWS IS ALWAYS HIDDEN THE HARD WORK AND LABOR OF UNNAMED ENGINEERS.



F R E E B I E S

TRUTH IS, AT FIRST I WANTED TO DRAW A SPACE HOME COMEDY LIKE "IT'S TIME" * AND "TARO'S RICH TEMPLE FAMILY" AND MAKE THE SETTING LIKE THE DOWNTOWNS OF JAPAN...

SPACE WIND CHIME

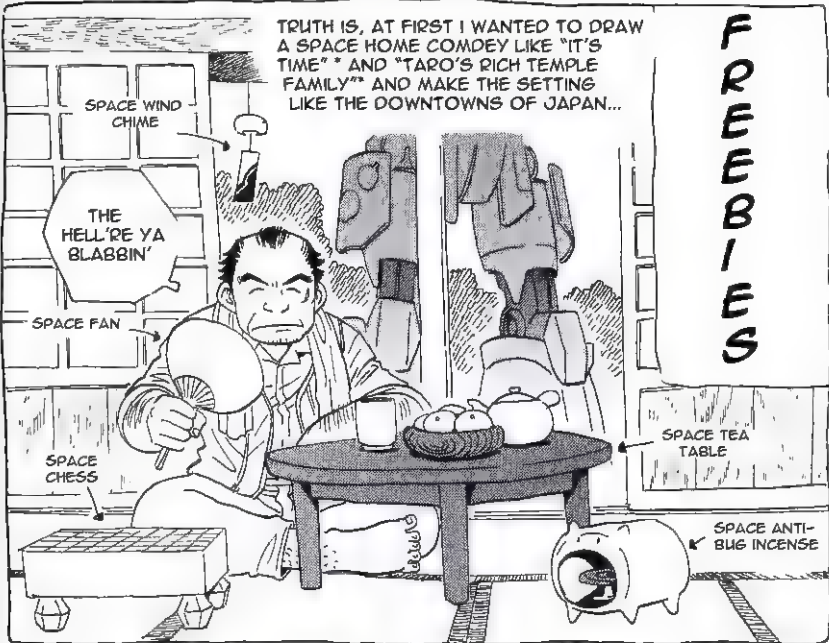
THE HELL'RE YA BLABBIN'

SPACE FAN

SPACE CHESS

SPACE TEA TABLE

SPACE ANTI-BUG INCENSE



RUMBLE

GACLINK

SMACK

YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO HIT ME!

DADDY! I'M SO SHOCKED I CAN'T EVEN CRY!

WE CAN USE THEM...

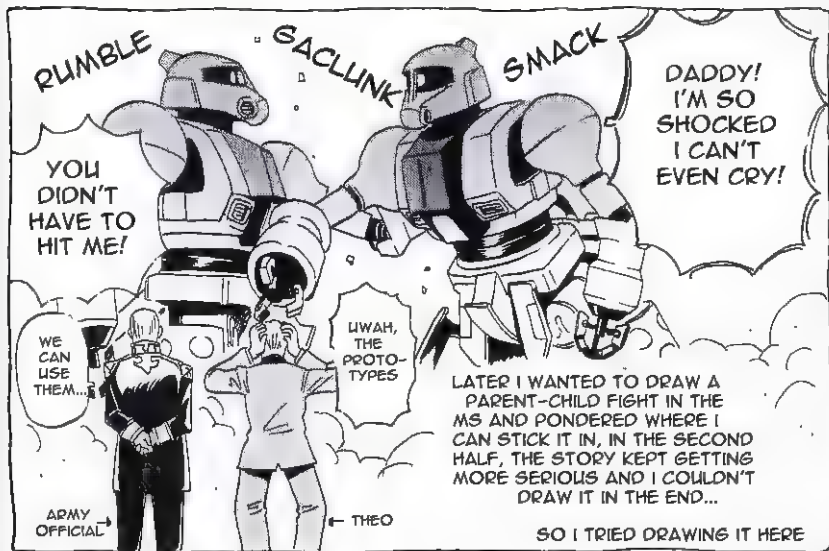
UWAH, THE PROTO-TYPES

ARMY OFFICIAL

THEO

LATER I WANTED TO DRAW A PARENT-CHILD FIGHT WHERE I CAN STICK IT IN, IN THE SECOND HALF, THE STORY KEPT GETTING MORE SERIOUS AND I COULDN'T DRAW IT IN THE END...

SO I TRIED DRAWING IT HERE



ZAKU

MOBILE
Space
Utility
Instruments
Tactical



ZEONIC Co.

WELCOME TO THE ERA OF MOBILE SUITS!!

MANIPULATOR



MENACING MANIPULATORS

HAVING BEEN IMPOSSIBLE BEFORE, GRASP-
ING POWER REGULATION IS FINALLY A REALITY!
NOW EQUIPPED WITH FIVE FINGERS, MORE
HUMAN-LIKE FINGER ACTION IS POSSIBLE.

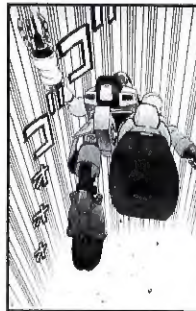
AS THIS IS NOW STANDARD FOR ALL FUTURE
MS, ALL USE OF OPTIONS DEVELOPED FROM
HERE ON WILL BE POSSIBLE.

MOREOVER, IT WILL PERFORM CURRENT
JOBS THAT REQUIRE BRUTE FORCE MUCH MORE
EFFICIENTLY. FROM COLONY CONSTRUCTION TO
SATELLITE ESTABLISHMENT, THE MANIPULATOR
WILL HAVE A PLETHORA OF DIFFERENT APPLI-
CATIONS.

FOOTWORK



RIGOROUS INCLINES ARE NO
PROBLEM. IT CAN CLIMB EVEN
A 3000M MOUNTAIN TO THE
PORT. POWERFUL MAGNETS
UNDER THE FEET PROTECT THE
PILOT FROM CENTRIFUGAL
FORCES ON THE OUTSIDE
COLONY WALL.

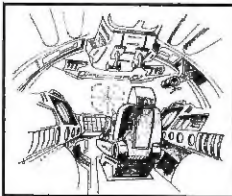


NIMBLE FOOTWORK

AS A RESULT OF
ZEONIC'S THOROUGH RE-
SEARCH OF HUMAN BI-
PEDAL MOVEMENT AND
THEIR WELL-TIMED IMPE-
LEMENTATION OF THE ZAKU,
THE ZAKU'S LEGS, COM-
BINED WITH LANDCELL VER-
NIERS, CAN PROPEL THE 70
TON CLASS BODY INTO
THE AIR AND BOAST
A GROUND SPEED OF
120KM UNDER 1G.

IT CAN MOVE FREELY
BOTH INSIDE AND OUT OF
THE COLONIES.

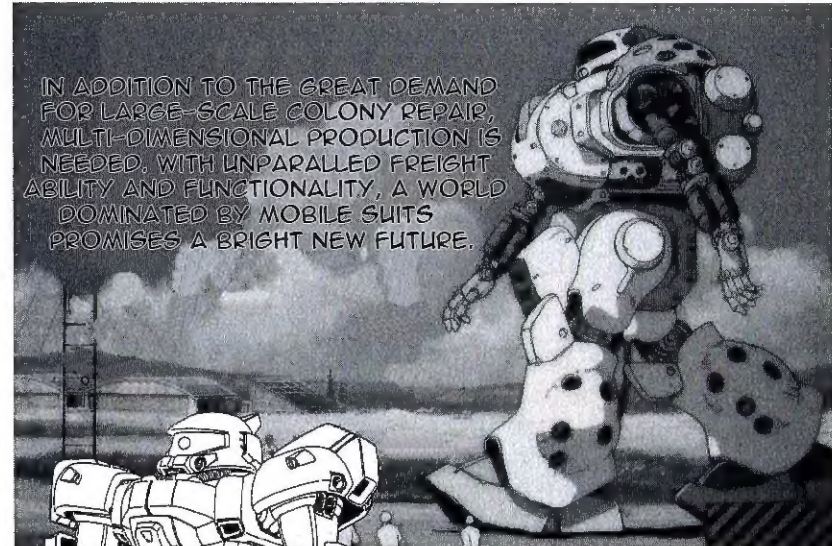
OPERATION



SIMPLE ACTIONS

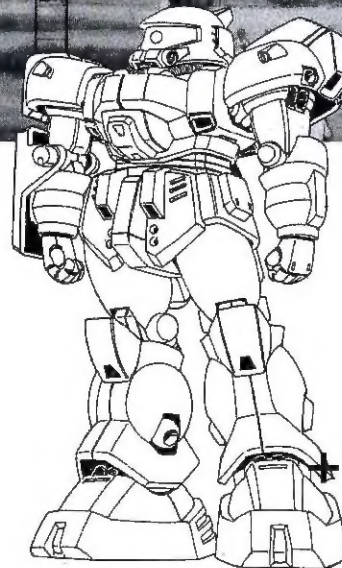
MOVEMENT OF THE HEAD BLOCK, ARM
BLOCKS, LEG BLOCKS AND SUCH IS MADE
POSSIBLE THROUGH TWO LEVERS AND A
COMBINATION OF BUTTONS. MOVEMENT
SPEED IS REGULATED BY FOOTPEDALS.

THERE ARE NO BLIND SPOTS IN THE
MONOEYE AND BODY SUBCAMERAS AND
THE MOBILE SUIT AUTOMATICALLY
DECIDES AND PROJECTS THE NECESSARY
IMAGES.

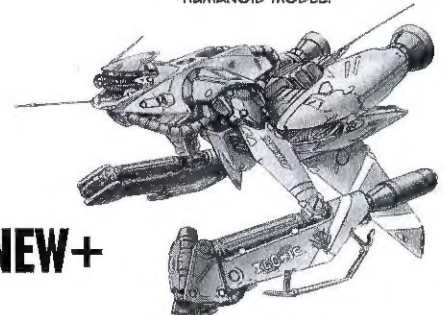


IN ADDITION TO THE GREAT DEMAND
FOR LARGE-SCALE COLONY REPAIR,
MULTI-DIMENSIONAL PRODUCTION IS
NEEDED. WITH UNPARALLELED FREIGHT
ABILITY AND FUNCTIONALITY, A WORLD
DOMINATED BY MOBILE SUITS
PROMISES A BRIGHT NEW FUTURE.

STEADY RESEARCH YIELDED A
CORNERSTONE FOR MOBILE
SUITS, AND STABILITY UNDER 1G
WAS ACHIEVED WITH A 10M CLASS
HUMANOID MODEL.



A NEXT GENERATION MOBILE SUIT MODEL.

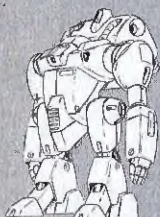


+NEW+

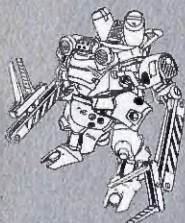
BY EQUIPPING A SPACE POD WITH
A MONOEYE AND AMBAC SYSTEM,
SPACE OPERATION DATA WAS
ALSO ACQUIRED.

UNIVERSAL CENTURY UTILITY MACHINERY

IN ORDER TO MOVE OUT INTO SPACE, HUMANITY BEGAN DEVELOPING GIANT UTILITY MACHINERY AND ROBOTS. THE CULMINATION WAS THE MS.



THOUGHT TO BE THE FIRST MS DEVELOPED BY THE EARTH FEDERATION MILITARY. LIKE THE SUNTANK, HAS A CANOPY IN THE HEAD. DETAILS UNKNOWN.



A MIDDLE MS USED FOR TRANSPORTING CARGO IN THE ZEON HOMELAND. AN IDENTICAL MODEL WITH ARMS IS USED BY LEE MILITARY.



A JUNIOR MS DEVELOPED ON THE MOON. IT WAS DEVELOPED AFTER RESEARCHING MOBILE SUITS SO IT'S NOT UNNECESSARILY LARGE.

A SCIENTIST FROM SIDE 6, DR. DICK LUMNBA, OVER CAME HIS HANDICAP OF LOWER BODY PARALYSIS AND BECAME THE FIRST PERSON TO CONDUCT MANIPULATOR RESEARCH.

UNI. CEN. 0071, THE PRINCIPALITY OF ZEON ORDERS ALL WEAPONS MAKERS TO DEVELOP NEW HIGH PERFORMANCE WEAPONS THAT CAN OPERATE UNDER MINOVSKY PARTICLE DISSEMINATION. FOR THIS ORDER, MIP FUSED A SPACE FIGHTER AND SPACE POD AND PREPARED A PROTOTYPE, WHILE ZEONIC PREPARED A HUMANOID PROTOTYPE THAT HAD A TOTAL HEIGHT OF 14M.

IN THIS COMPETITION, ZEONIC CHANGED THEIR TACTICS, AND PRETENDED TO FORMALLY ACCEPT A COMMISSION FOR A NON-COMBAT UTILITY UNIT.

ZEONIC NAMED THIS UNKNOWN WEAPON A "MOBILE SUIT" AND STEADILY MOVED ITS DEVELOPMENT FORWARD.

ALSO, UNI. CEN. 0075, A SCOOP ABOUT THE MOBILE SUIT WAS SEEN AROUND THE WORLD.

THE FACT THAT THE 17M CLASS HUMANOID UTILITY UNIT STACKED BLOCKS AND WAS POISED TO ASSUME COLONY MAINTENANCE ROLES GAVE VARIOUS DEVELOPERS INCENTIVE TO BUILD THEIR OWN AND SOON, ONE AFTER THE OTHER, MOCK UNITS WERE CREATED.

AT THE SAME TIME, THERE WERE FEDERATION SCIENTISTS THAT SAW THROUGH THE GIANT UTILITY UNIT'S FACADE. IN CASE OF THE WEAPON'S DEPLOYMENT TO THE BATTLEFIELD, THEY BEGAN EXPLORING COUNTERACTIVE METHODS, AND THUS, THEY CREATED THE RX PROGRAM.

UNIVERSAL CENTURY. DESIRING A NEW FRONTIER, HUMANITY LEFT THEIR NEST. UNTIL THEIR NEW HOMES, THE COLONY "SIDES," WERE ESTABLISHED, THERE WAS MUCH TRIAL AND ERROR DONE.

THE SPACE STATION AGE PASSED AS WELL AS THE STATIONARY SPACE HOTEL PERIOD, AND THEN THE FIRST ISLAND 1 SPACE COLONY WAS BUILT. THIS GAVE THE YOUNG FEDERATION PEOPLE ON THE DOUGHNUT SHAPED COLONIES HOPE, AND THEY RUSHED TO BE THE FIRST TO BE RELOCATED THERE, IT SEEMS.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE OUTSIDE WAS DONE BY SPACESHIPS AND SPACEPODS WHILE THE INSIDE AND LAND PREPARATION WAS DONE BY OLD CENTURY RACKS AND CRANES, AS IT'S TOLD.

WHILE THESE VEHICLES WERE ELECTRIC, THEY COULD HAUL CLOSE TO 100 TONS. AS TIME WENT ON, ISLAND 3 COLONIES BECAME MAINSTREAM IN THE 30'S OF U.C., AND THE LARGE HUMANOID UTILITY ROBOT "CATTLE" APPEARED ON THE SCENE.

IT SEEMS THAT TO USE IT UNDER 16, IT MOVED WITH A SOLAR BATTERY AND HAD 4 ARMS FOR DIFFERENT TASKS. THUS, IT WAS USED FOR LANDSCAPING INSIDE THE HUGE COLONIES. IT HAD THE POWER TO SHOULDER A 70 TON LOAD.

AMONG SPACE UTILITY MACHINERY, THE SPACEPOD WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR MUCH PROGRESS AND SO THE SP-WO3 WAS BORN.

THIS MACHINE IS EASY TO PILOT, REQUIRES LITTLE MAINTENANCE AND IS FAMOUS FOR BEING HARDY. THEREFORE IT WAS USED FOR COLONY CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE.



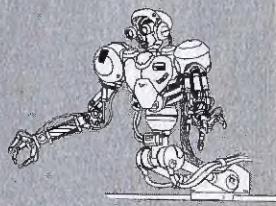
↑ THESE WERE THE IMAGES USED WHEN ZEONIC LEAKED THE MS INFORMATION. THE EARTH FEDERATION TOP BRASS SAW THIS AND LOST ANY SENSE OF DANGER.

THOUGH THIS DIGRESSES, THE EARTH FEDERATION MILITARY FIXED THEIR SIGHT ON THIS UNIT THAT WAS USED BY COLONY PUBLIC CORPORATIONS AND, IN PLACE OF THEIR MS THAT WERE MEAGER IN NUMBER, EXPANDED THE DESIGN AND MASS PRODUCED A NEW CLASS OF THE BALL.

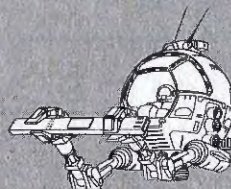
IN A WORLD OF ON-THE-SPOT MEDICAL TREATMENT AND HOUSEHOLD CHILDO-NURSING, ROBOT RESEARCH HAS BEEN CONTINUING SINCE THE OLD CENTURY. FOR PROSTHEIS PATIENTS, ARTIFICIAL LIMBS WERE RESEARCHED, AND AN ALL-PURPOSE ROBOT FOR DAY CARE USE WAS CREATED.



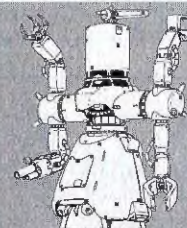
ZEONIC'S NEWLY DEVELOPED MS. IT WAS PRESENTED AS A UTILITY UNIT, BUT WAS ORDERED AS A MILITARY WEAPON.



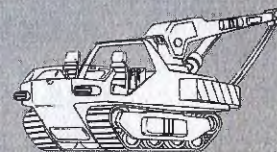
ISOLATED ACTION MODEL ROBOT. MANIPULATOR RESEARCH IS STILL CONTINUING FOR PEOPLE WITHOUT THE USE OF THEIR EXTREMITIES.



THE LEADING ACTORS IN COLONY DEVELOPMENT. THE SPACE PODS, THROUGH THE USE OF THESE 2 MANIPULATORS, SPACE DEVELOPMENT PROGRESSED.



THE CATTLE HAS DONE MUCH FOR COLONY DEVELOPMENT. TOTAL OF 40M TALL AND TAKES UP MUCH ROOM, BUT VANISHED WITH OUT A TRACE.



A LARGE MODEL CRANE CAP USED INSIDE COLONIES. POWER IS STRESSED EVEN MORE THAN OLD CENTURY MACHINES.

●Developers TIME TABLE

0070 05 PRINCIPALITY TESTS GIANT BIPEDAL MACHINES
0073 01 PRINCIPALITY COMPLETES WEAPON MODEL 1, MS-01.
NAMED "MOBILE SUIT"

[Developers]

- 04 -ZEONIC SECRETLY CONTACTS HOSIOKA
-HOSIOKA AGREES TO BUILD THE MS-04
- 06 -HOSIOKA ESTABLISHES A RADIATION-PROOF WORK AREA.
EXPLORES METHODS OF COMMUNICATION UNDER MINOVSKY PARTICLES
-FIRST MS OPERATOR BORN IN HOSIOKA.
DATA IS USED AS AN EXAMPLE IN MOBILE TRAINING BATTALION
- 07 -HOSIOKA CONDUCTS MS-04 FIELD TEST INSIDE THE COLONY
-HOSIOKA BEGINS INDEPENDENTLY COLLECTING OS DATA
- 08 -HOSIOKA DELIVERS PROTOTYPE MS-04 TO ZEONIC
-ZEONIC CUTS HOSIOKA FROM MS DEVELOPMENT
- 09 -HOSIOKA RECEIVES INFORMAL COMMISSION FROM ZEONIC
NEW MODEL MS-04 AND BEGINS ADJUSTMENT
- 12 -ZEONIC STAGES AN INTER-COMPANY MS-04 COMPETITION.
HOSIOKA-MADE UNIT SECRETLY PARTICIPATES
-ZEONIC PERFORMS FINAL MS-04 SCREENING TEST
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- 08 GRIEF/ GENZABUROU THE RUNAWAY
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